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LIGHT COMBAT AIRCRAFT TEJAS MK1A'S FIRST FLIGHT SUCCESSFUL

The HAL said the first LA 5053 aircraft of the Tejas Mk1A series took to the skies successfully from its facility in Bengaluru on Thursday

'SIGNIFICANT MILESTONE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED'

"HAL achieved this significant production milestone with concurrent design & development amid major supply chain challenges in the global geopolitical environment subsequent to the contract signature in February 2021," said C B Ananthakrishnan, chairman and managing director of the company. The aircraft was piloted by Group Captain K K Venugopal (Retd)

INDIAN AIR FORCE TO INDUCT THE AIRCRAFT

- The Tejas Mk1A will have an advanced electronic RADAR, warfare, communication systems and additional combat capability
- The country can look forward to an early induction of the Tejas Mk1A by the IAF and more numbers through the three lines of production established at HAL, it said in a statement | **P5**

18 MINS

WAS THE FLYING TIME OF TEJAS MK1A'S FIRST FLIGHT

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DELHI COURT EXTENDS CHIEF MINISTER'S ED REMAND TILL ALL FOOLS' DAY

Kejri argues his case, sees plot to crush party

UJWAL JALALI @ New Delhi

A Delhi court on Thursday saw its arrested chief minister himself arguing his case in the liquor policy scam. "I was named by four witnesses in the excise policy case. Are four statements enough to arrest a sitting CM?" he asked.

The court extended the custody of Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal with the Enforcement Directorate (ED) by four more days till April 1 in the scam.

The Rouse Avenue Court saw heated arguments between Kejriwal and ED lawyers during the hearing. "Where is the ₹100 crore liquor scam money the ED keeps harping on?" Kejriwal asked, adding that the entire liquor policy case is a political conspiracy to crush his Aam Aadmi Party.

During the previous hearing, the probe agency had sought to establish Kejriwal's role in the formulation of the excise policy by citing a statement of C Arvind, the then Secretary of former Deputy CM Manish Sisodia. Arvind told the ED that he was handed a draft report of a Group of Ministers on the excise policy by Sisodia at Kejriwal's residence where former minister Satyendra Jain was also present.

Referring to this allegation, Kejriwal said because of his position, several ministers come to his residence and even exchange documents. "Is this statement sufficient to arrest a sitting CM?" he questioned.

On the statement of another accused-turned-approver Raghav Magunta to the ED, the CM said Magunta's father gave six statements to the probe agency but did not say anything about Kejriwal. Magunta is the son of Buchi Babu, chartered accountant of BRS leader K Kavitha, who too is under arrest in the same case. The AAP chief argued that people are being turned approver and forced to change their statements. The ED investigation began in August 2022. The 2021-22 Delhi excise policy was later scrapped.

> **The actual excise policy scam started after the beginning of the ED investigation and not when the policy was made**
>
> Arvind Kejriwal, Delhi chief minister

Not opposing the ED's demand for further custody, Kejriwal pointed out that approver Sarath Chandra Reddy donated ₹55 crore to the BJP just after his arrest. "I have the evidence. Money trail is established. He donated ₹55 crore to BJP after being arrested," Kejriwal said. The court noted his point and assured it will be investigated.

Arvind Kejriwal comes out of a Delhi court after his production in the excise policy scam on Thursday | PTI

CUSTODY EXTENSION

"...there appears to be sufficient reasons to permit further custodial interrogation, particularly keeping in view the submissions that he (Kejriwal) is required to be confronted with the material collected and statements recorded so far," special judge Kaveri Baweja said

Comments by US State Dept unwarranted: foreign office

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

INDIA on Thursday described the US State Department's recent comments on the arrest of Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal as unwarranted - its second riposte in response to two statements.

Apart from weighing in on Kejriwal, the State Department also commented on the freezing of Congress funds.

"As you are aware, on Wednesday, India had lodged its strong objection and protest with the senior official from the US Embassy with regard to the comments made by the US State Department. The recent remarks by the State Department are unwarranted. Any such external imputation on our electoral and legal processes is completely unacceptable," said Ministry of External Affairs spokesman Randhir Jaiswal.

The MEA said in India, legal processes are driven only by the rule of law. "Anyone who has similar ethos, especially fellow democracies, should have no difficulty in appreciating this fact. India is proud of its independent and robust democratic institutions. We are committed to protect them from any form of undue external influences," Jaiswal added.

India also reiterated that mutual respect and understanding form the foundation of international relations and states are expected to be respectful of the sovereignty and internal affairs of others.

In first tango, RIL picks up 26% stake in an Adani arm

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

IN a first, rival billionaires Mukesh Ambani and Gautam Adani have joined hands for a business deal as Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) acquired a 26% stake in Mahan Energen Ltd (MEL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Adani Power Ltd.

The deal will give RIL 500 MW of electricity from MEL's Madhya Pradesh-based power plants for captive use. "One unit of 600 MW capacity of MEL's Mahan thermal power plant, out of its aggregate operating and upcoming capacity of 2,800 MW, will be designated as the Captive Unit for this purpose," Adani Power said in an exchange filing. It added that RIL will pick up 5 crore shares with a face value of ₹10 (₹50 crore).

"The proposed investment by the Company is in compliance with the provisions of the Electricity Rules, 2005, in terms of which the Company, as a captive user, is required to own 26% proportionate ownership in one unit of MEL of 600 MW capacity, with RIL being the captive user of 500 MW generation capacity," said RIL in its exchange filing.

Ambani's interests span oil and gas to retail and telecom while Adani's focus is on infrastructure spanning sea ports to airports, coal and mining. Though considered business rivals, the two Gujarat industrialists have rarely crossed each other's path except in the clean energy business, where the two have announced multi-billion investments.

Adani aspires to be the world's largest renewable energy producer by 2030, while Reliance is building four gigafactories in Jamnagar — one each for solar panels, batteries, green hydrogen, and fuel cells. Adani is also building three gigafactories for manufacturing solar modules, wind turbines, and hydrogen electrolysers.

Stake transfer to meet captive use norms

If a power generating unit has to be considered a captive generating plant, the captive user must hold not less than 26% of the ownership in the captive generating company. Also, 51% of the power generated must be used by the owners for their own consumption

EXPRESS READ

Gangster-politician Mukhtar Ansari dies

LUCKNOW: Jailed gangster-turned-politician Mukhtar Ansari died of cardiac arrest at a hospital in Banda in UP on Thursday. Ansari, 63, was a five-time MLA from Mau Sadar seat. He had over 60 criminal cases pending against him and was sentenced in eight cases.

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SIDDU TO CONSULT HIGH COMMAND

Cong yet to decide on Kolar candidate

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE CONGRESS is yet to announce its candidate for Kolar Lok Sabha constituency although five Congress legislators on Wednesday threatened to resign in protest against selecting Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa's son-in-law Chikkapeddanna for the seat. On Thursday, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar held meetings with Congress leaders from Kolar district. However, they failed to convince them, sources said.

With this, the Congress party's campaign that was supposed to start from Kolar has been postponed.

Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar met the party leaders belonging to the former Assembly speaker Ramesh Kumar's faction. The sources said the leaders of the faction made it clear to the CM and DCM that they will not support any member of Muniyappa's family for the Kolar seat.

The leaders reportedly told Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar that the candidate for Kolar should be selected after taking into consideration the suggestions of local Congress leaders. They appealed to the CM to name the party candidate soon. Siddaramaiah promised them that he will hold discussions with the party high command and get back to them.

The CM asked leaders from Kolar not to go to the media, which may embarrass the party high command. "Whatever decision the high command takes, we all should obey and work for the candidate's victory," Siddaramaiah told them. Meanwhile, Siddaramaiah and Shivakumar spoke to Muniyappa. But he is firm on his demand for the party ticket to his son-in-law. Muniyappa alleged that some leaders from Kolar district created unnecessary issues for the party. If the party selects his son-in-law for Kolar, he will ensure his victory, Muniyappa said. **P4**

MINISTER PRIYANK GETS THREAT LETTER

The Vidhana Soudha police have registered an FIR against an unknown person for sending a threat letter to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Priyank Kharge and his family members. Priyank told reporters here on Thursday that the letter was posted from Kalaburagi to his Bengaluru office address a few days ago | **P4**

Cafe blast case: NIA arrests key conspirator

BALA CHAUHAN @ Bengaluru

IN A MAJOR breakthrough in the Bengaluru cafe blast case, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Wednesday arrested a key conspirator, Muzammil Shareef, following raids in three states.

Shareef was reportedly picked up from Bengaluru and placed in custody as a co-conspirator after NIA teams cracked down at 18 locations, including 12 in Karnataka, five in Tamil Nadu and one in Uttar Pradesh, the NIA stated in a press release on Thursday.

The NIA took over the case on March 3. It had earlier identified the main accused, Mussavir Shazeeb Hussain, who had carried out the blast. Hussain is a resident of Masjid Road, Thirthahalli, Shivamogga. He is also accused in other terror cases. He features in the wanted list of NIA.

The agency had also identified another conspirator, Abdul Matheen Taha, also from Shivamogga, who is wanted in other terror-related cases, and is on the run.

NIA officials raided the houses of the three accused and residential premises and shops of other suspects.

According to informed sources, the cafe blast case reportedly has linkages with the same module to which Mohd Shariq, the main accused in Mangaluru pressure cooker blast case in November 2022, belonged.

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DKS' brother Suresh files papers, declares assets worth ₹593 crore

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE ASSETS of sitting MP DK Suresh, brother of Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, increased by 75% in the last five years. Suresh filed his nomination papers on Thursday to contest from Bengaluru Rural Lok Sabha constituency.

According to his affidavit filed before the Election Commission, Suresh has assets worth Rs 593 crore, which were worth Rs 338 crore in 2019. His liabilities have increased from Rs 51 crore to Rs 150 crore (188%).

Renowned cardiologist and former director of Sri Jayadeva Institute Of Cardiovascular Science and Research Dr CN Manjunath is contesting against Suresh on BJP ticket.

The MP's asset value increased due to appreciation of the value of his immovable assets such as residential and commercial buildings, and agricultural land (inherited) in Ramanagara and Bengaluru. The immovable assets alone are worth Rs 486 crore.

Suresh, who owned movable assets worth Rs 33 crore in 2019, now has such assets worth Rs 106 crore, a whopping 220% increase in five years.

Suresh has three cases against him for violation of COVID -19 protocol.

The MP and his brother organised a padayatra seeking implementation of the Mekedatu reservoir project two years ago. **P6**

CM Siddaramaiah greets Congress candidate for B'luru Rural DK Suresh in Ramanagara on Thursday | EXPRESS

RURAL JOBS SCHEME

Peanuts as wage hike draw barbs in poll season

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

A paltry annual hike in daily wages under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) for unskilled workers was jeered at by the Opposition, with Congress leader Rahul Gandhi promising to jack it up to ₹400 a day.

Each state has a different daily wage rate under the scheme. Haryana was at the top of the pecking order at ₹374 after the revision this year while in Uttar Pradesh it was just ₹237. In gross terms, states like UP and Assam witnessed an increase of just ₹7 as compared to last year while the wage rise in Goa was ₹28. The annual revision by the Centre is meant to mitigate inflation. A government official termed the revision a routine exercise.

Taking a dig, Rahul sarcastically said, "Congratulations to MNREGA workers! The PM has increased your salary by ₹7. Now he might ask you, 'What will you do with such a huge amount of money?'"

Trinamool leader Saket Gokhale sharply criticised the inadequate increase of wages, especially in West Bengal. "Shameful & shocking that in today's wage revision announced for MGNREGA, Modi Govt has increased wages for workers in Bengal by only 5%," Gokhale posted on X.

Goa topped the chart with a hike of 10.56%, while in Karnataka it was 10.4%, MP and Chhattisgarh 9.9%, Gujarat 9.3% and Bihar 7.4%.

MGNREGA WAGES FOR UNSKILLED MANUAL WORKERS

	WAGES IN 2023	REVISED WAGES IN 2024	CHANGE IN %
Andhra Pradesh	272	300	10.2%
Assam	238	249	2.9%
Bihar	228	245	7.4%
Chhattisgarh	221	243	9.9%
Gujarat	256	280	9.3%
Goa	322	356	10.5%
Haryana	357	374	4.7%
J&K	244	259	6.1%
Jharkhand	228	245	7.4%
Karnataka	316	349	10.4%
Kerala	333	346	3.9%
Madhya Pradesh	221	243	9.9%
Maharashtra	273	297	8.7%
Odisha	237	254	7.1%
Punjab	303	322	6.2%
Rajasthan	255	266	4.3%
Tamil Nadu	294	319	8.5%
Telangana	272	300	10.2%
Uttar Pradesh	230	237	3%
Uttarakhand	230	237	3%
West Bengal	237	250	5.4%

Wages in rupees, States

Youth dies after his friend inserts air compressor hose into rectum 'for fun'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A 24-YEAR-OLD youth working with an event management company died after his friend inserted an air compressor hose into his rectum "for fun" at a car service station in the city.

The accused put the hose pipe of the running machine into the victim's rectum who had gone to the station to wash his friend's bike. It is said that the high pressure air that entered the victim's stomach severely damaged his intestine and other organs. The victim, who fell unconscious, was immediately rushed to a nearby hospital. The incident happened on Monday and the victim died on Wednesday. Based on a complaint by his sister, Sampigehalli police registered a case and arrested the accused.

The victim has been identified as R Yogesh of Ashwath Nagar near Sampigehalli and the accused as Murali, an employee of CNS Car Spa in Thanisandra. Yogesh used to frequently meet Murali and other friends at the service station.

> **Yogesh had taken leave from his company to make preparations for his sister's wedding in April** — Police Officer

On Monday around 7 pm, he went to the station to wash his friend's bike. When the victim, who was wearing shorts, was standing near the bike, the accused allegedly inserted the compressor hose into his rectum. When Yogesh did not return home, his sister Jayashree called him and she was informed that he was in hospital. When Jayashree rushed to the hospital, Yogesh told her what had happened to him.

On Tuesday morning, he developed breathlessness. He was immediately shifted to another hospital where he died around 9.30 am the next day.

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WEATHER | MIN 21°C | MAX 36°C | FORECAST Mostly sunny

Sunrise 06.17 am | Sunset 06.31 pm | Moonrise 09.53 pm | Moonset 08.43 am

No money to demolish illegal building: BBMP

HC issues order, Palike fails to implement it

MOHAMMED YACOOB
@ Bengaluru

BRUHAT Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) issued a demolition order against an illegal paying guest (PG) building at Orchidwoods Layout in Kundalahalli, Mahadevapura, last year, however, police officials are yet to act on its order. Residents and activists allege that BBMP officials are deliberately delaying the demolition for personal 'benefit'.

The complainant said he first approached BBMP engineers of Doddanekkundi and explained that Vishnuvardhan Reddy, owner of site 14 on survey number 83, Orchidwoods Layout, Kundalahalli, was constructing a multi-storeyed building without sanction plan. But BBMP officials failed to act.

"After BBMP failed to act, I approached the High Court. BBMP was misleading the court and taking time. This development allowed the builder to take up construction illegally and now the building is almost complete. In one instance, the court directed BBMP to take a police force and remove the unauthorised construction, but BBMP responded stating it had no money to remove unauthorised constructions. The back-and-forth communication between the respondent and court gave the builder a chance to take advantage to complete construction," he alleged.

The complainant also said that after following up with the court and BBMP, Palike executive engineer of Whitefield subdivision issued a demolition order on March 15, 2023, however, to date, the order is not implemented. "I have decided to give up the fight of two-and-half years. Despite the complaint and court order and BBMP's demolition order, the building is ready for inauguration," said the complainant.

Reacting to the development, Sandeep Anirudhan, convener, Citizens' Agenda for Bengaluru, said the government is failing at two critical points in the pre and post-construction states. "Under BBMP bylaws, no construction is permitted without a display of the approved building plan on the outside wall of the site compound. It is so easy to prevent illegal construction, all government officials can stop construction on a site which does not display an approved building plan."

"Post construction, zonal engineers and ward engineers, as well as town planning officials have to supervise areas under their ward and take suo motu action for demolition of illegal/unauthorised buildings as per a HC order in 2023. In reality, neither preventive action nor demolition are executed by officials, and generally officials commit wholesale contempt of court as well. Things have come to such a pass that there is absolute maladministration and misgovernance," said Anirudhan.

Multiple disruptions in Metro train services this month, school exams and work from home for a section of techies on account of the ongoing water crisis, has led to a tumble in ridership

Sources

Metro ridership dips since full Purple Line launch

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

IN a surprising reversal of the month-on-month increase in ridership and the surge expected in ridership post the launch of the full Purple Line and its extension, Metro patronage has nosedived in March. With the month ending, the average daily ridership is just 6.76 lakh per day, reveal sources. The average for the month is expected to dip much further and even go below 6.5 lakh per day due to the long weekend beginning Good Friday.

Data supplied by Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation (BMRCL) up to March 26 shows the overall ridership figure in March as 1.76 crore. The average ridership was 7,05,917 in February – the first time in the history of Namma Metro that daily ridership crossed 7 lakh. This month marks a daily average dip of 29,000 rides.

"Multiple disruptions in Metro train services this month, school exams and work from home for a section of techies on account of the ongoing water crisis, has led to a tumble in ridership," said a source. A dip was expected in April and May due to the summer vacation and public travelling out of the city, but to end the financial year on such a low note was completely unexpected, he added.

Daily ridership was pegged at 7.5 lakh per day post the launch of the entire Purple Line, but that has not happened in the past six months since the October 9 launch of the crucial link between KR Pura and Baiyappanahalli. The highest single-day ridership was on January 25, with 7,82,435 rides.

Multiple officials confirmed the ridership dip has taken them aback. Logically speaking, soaring temperatures in March should have boosted patronage.

In January, daily ridership stood at 6,78,543 while in December 2023, ridership was 6,88,196 per day. The daily ridership figure in November was 6.64 lakh, and in October it was 6,40,441; the full line was launched on October 9.

Another official said, "Revenue will be hit heavily this month too. The average ticket per rider comes to Rs 23 to 24 (long and short rides taken together). So daily revenue loss is roughly Rs 70,000 this month, compared to the previous month."

BWSSB to supply water to IT, BT firms

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

BANGALORE Water Supply and Sewerage Board Chairman Ram Prasat Manohar on Thursday held a meeting with Outer Ring Road Companies Association (ORRCA) through a webinar on Thursday. He said that the water shortage in Bengaluru is being dealt with effectively and that measures are being taken to supply adequate water to IT and BT companies. He said that people have begun to realise the importance of water after the imposition of fines on those who waste water unnecessarily was imposed. "Create awareness about water conservation, use treated water, give priority to rain water conservation and recycle water. BWSSB is ready to supply treated water to companies and organizations that need it," he said

THIRST QUENCHED

With the summer heat rising and water crisis persisting, young boys fill drinking water from a water vending kiosk in Bengaluru on Thursday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

Volvo Group signs MoU with VIT

Bengaluru: To bridge the gap between academia and industry, Volvo Group India signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) on Thursday. The partnership aimed to enhance automotive education in the country. As part of the collaboration, a specialized credit course will also be introduced within VIT's M.Tech programme, which will focus on equipping students with the latest automotive industry technologies. Kamal Bali, president and managing director of Volvo Group-India said, "We are currently undergoing a profound industry-wide transformation at Volvo Group, leveraging cutting-edge technologies and propulsion systems to achieve our goal of being Net Zero by 2040. Our vision entails a future that is not only 100% safe and productive but also completely fossil-free."

IIM-B signs MoU with FPSB

Bengaluru: To enhance the landscape of financial education and professional development in India, Financial Planning Standards Board (FPSB) India and the Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIM Bangalore) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Thursday. With this, the professional standards-setting body for financial planning and IIM Bangalore would collaborate to offer an executive education programme in Financial Planning, designed for both working professionals and students. This initiative aims to address the increasing demand for advanced financial planning education by leveraging the combined expertise of both organizations. The FPSB India will also provide five merit-based scholarships to empower deserving candidates with essential skills, knowledge, and certifications required for a successful career as a Certified Financial Planner professional.

IPL MATCH: BTP ISSUES TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Bengaluru Traffic Police issued the following advisory in view of the IPL cricket match at M Chinnaswamy Stadium today. The restrictions will be effective from 3pm-11pm

NO PARKING ON THESE ROADS

- Queen's Road, MG Road, MG Road to Cubbon Road, Raj Bhavan Road
- Central Street Road, Cubbon Road, St Mark's Road, Museum Road
- Kasturba Road, Ambedkar Veedi, Trinity Junction, Lavelle Road
- Vittal Mallya Road, King's Road, Nrupathunga Road

PARK HERE

- St Joseph Indian School Ground, UB City Parking lot, BMTC TTMC Shivajingar 1st Floor & Old KGID Building, King's Road (Inside Cubbon Park)

CAB PICK-UP & DROP POINTS

Road	Pick-up point	Drop point
Raj Bhavan Road	CTO Jn	Cubbon Park Metro Station
Cubbon Rd	BRV Ground	Gate No 6

HAPPY FOSTERING

HC to CARA: Legalise adoption of African boy

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court directed the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) of the Ministry of Women and Child Development to recognise the adoption of an African boy by an Indian couple residing in Uganda, by issuing a no-objection certificate, since India is a signatory to the Hague Adoption Convention of 1995.

"Though the adoption has not happened under the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act, and in a country which is not a signatory to the Hague Convention, the adoption has happened and the rights of a child of Indian citizens, who have adopted, cannot be left marooned," the court said, while directing CARA to consider the representation of the couple in accordance with law and also observations made in the order.

Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order while allowing the petition filed by a 43-year-old man and his 42-year-old wife, residents of Uttarahalli in Bengaluru, presently residing in Nairobi in Kenya. They were seeking directions to consider their representation submitted by e-mail on June 8, 2023, concerning cross-border adoption of a child, to CARA to legalise the adoption in terms of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, and Adoption Regulations of CARA, 2022.

The husband is working as a vice-president of a firm in Nairobi and the wife is a software engineer in Kenya. They were residents of Uganda between 2011 and 2018, and shifted to Kenya in 2019, and even today hold Indian passports as they have not renounced Indian citizenship.

They adopted a child, an African, under Ugandan laws in 2014 and the High Court of Uganda declared that they were the adoptive parents of the child and granted consequential rights to the child by allowing the application filed by them.

Desirous for adoption to become formal in India and to conduct their actions in compliance with regulations before CARA, the couple had approached CARA, seeking legal sanctity in India for adoption. This was neither accepted nor rejected by CARA.

Meanwhile, the Deputy Solicitor General of India submitted in court that they will issue a support letter to the couple for issue of passport for entry and exit into the country, and also a no-objection certificate by the competent authority for such adoption, if the procedure is appropriately followed.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

29th March: I keep meeting people who are convinced that space aliens have landed and are living amongst us. I have to say that I suspect that all that has happened is that some of the gods and mythical creatures of the past have been reinvented as creatures from distant parts of the universe, but that doesn't make them any more real!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Relations with children should have improved. If there are still questions to be answered, then it may be that you've been looking in the wrong direction. Try a spot of lateral thinking. What I mean is that the solutions may lie in the most unlikely areas.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
The current phase in the lunar month is always slightly tense, but you could be surprised at how well things turn out in the end. Your whole approach will soon be vindicated, possibly when children or younger relations finally realise how right you have been.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
You're not out of the woods yet so keep your guard up. It is difficult to see whether you have been battling at work or at home, but it may be both. In this case, you should aim for a well-earned rest over the coming few days. Hopefully, a pressing commitment can be shelved.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
A stunning relationship between the Sun and Jupiter suggests a moment of supreme creativity, probably affecting financial matters, foreign contacts and ethical questions, not to mention educational possibilities. It goes without saying that benefits may accrue in all these areas.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Hopefully the way is now much clearer as far as monetary issues are concerned. If you have to rectify a financial situation, or any other personal matter, spare a little time for the finer points. Plus, you're closer to the resolution of a personal dilemma than you feared, but not necessarily in the manner you thought!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
If you need proof that you are on the right track, try asking close companions. People you live or work with day in and day out may have difficulty finding exactly the right words but, even when they're not telling the whole truth, you know what they really mean!

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
No doubt you are a mite confused. This is just as it should be, for the planets favour all things mysterious and unknown. However, they are also keeping you hard at work, so there is no time to muddle around! If a partner tries meddling in matters which are none of their business, then you'll be forced to redefine your boundaries.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Let things take their own course and you'll save yourself all sorts of trouble. If you have a mind for your own survival, you'll leave strangers, partners, friends, lovers and acquaintances to solve their own silly quibbles! Don't let them hold you back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
You may have taken a moderate battering, but I think it's now safe to lift your head above the trenches. You may even make a few moves behind the scenes which will set you up for future prosperity. Don't bank on quick profits though, for initial impressions are bound to be misleading.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Seldom have you been in such a strong position to name your price or dictate your terms. For once you have both the facts and their deeper implications at your disposal, which means you're one step ahead of everyone else. It's all a question of finding the right way to say what you want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
You may soon find yourself back to square one over a financial or professional matter. Actually this is a good thing, and you should also make it your goal to get back to the roots in your emotional life. Once you've established a sense of certainty, then you'll be free to experiment.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You should now begin a new emotional journey and enjoy a process of unravelling your deepest motives. Someone close may have tried your patience, but I don't think you should concern yourself with this any longer. Ultimately, they need to recognise their own problems before anyone else can help them.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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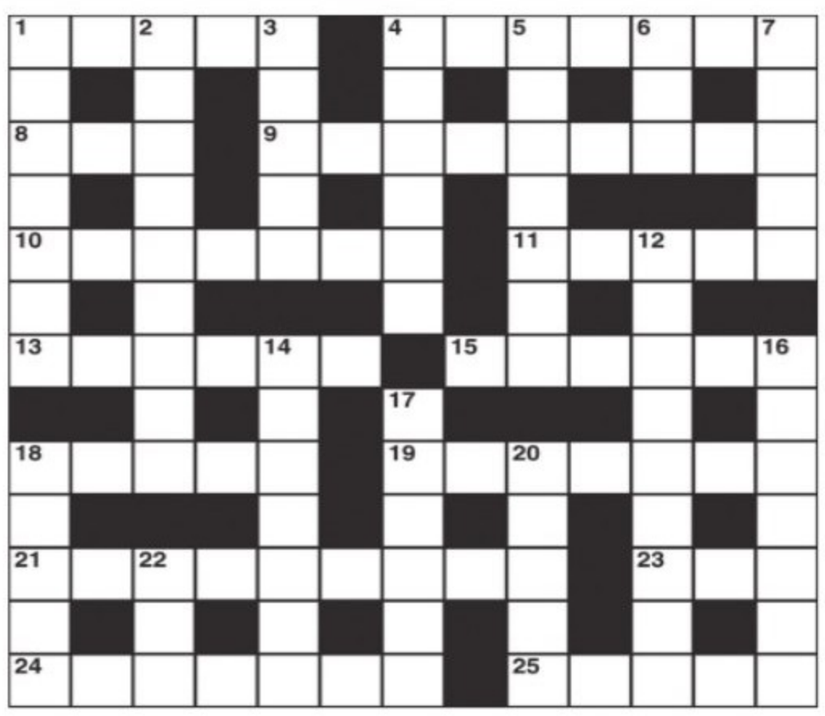

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Monk has no hesitation in providing soup (5)
4 See cinders scattered all over the place (7)
8 Poem due for recitation (3)
9 Notice dud replacement when taking off (9)
10 Teach me to twist the knife (7)
11 He goes out with Irene (5)
13 Distant meteor disintegrates (6)
15 Reformed gambler (6)
18 State rearrangement makes sense (5)
19 Withdraw escort (4,3)
21 Might the couple become attached to the yard? (9)
23 Where to buy a drink and some chocolate (3)
24 Prison for a debt-collector who has gone wrong (7)
25 Looks for spinning reels (5)

DOWN

1 A mistake in the garden (7)
2 Succeeds in arranging some cover (9)
3 A row between neighbours? (5)
4 Artful Dickensian character (6)
5 Hide away or gradually let out (7)
6 Priest gives Delia heart (3)
7 Once led by a point for the time being (5)
12 Not having Russian money is not a problem (2,7)
14 Shudder when music starts in highest register (7)
16 Sends back the proceeds (7)
17 Remove liquid under pressure (6)
18 There's little about me that's subdued (5)
20 Lower oneself (5)
22 In a way a refreshing place (3)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Maraschino, 8 Guide, 9 Respond, 10 Violets, 11 Fleet, 12 Refuse, 14 Proper, 17 Sabre, 19 Gondola, 21 Tuition, 22 Veils, 23 Fall asleep.

Down: 2 A bit off, 3 Anele, 4 Corpse, 5 In so far, 6 Ozone, 7 Editorials, 8 Give rise to, 13 Special, 15 Promise, 16 Agenda, 18 Brief, 20 Novel.

JUMBLE UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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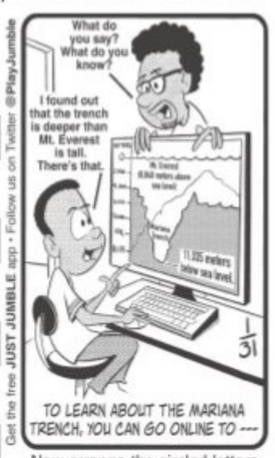
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I found out that the trench is deeper than Mt. Everest is tall. There's that.
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

_____ THE _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: YACHT COUNT SQUISH DECENT
Answer: The fruit seller at the farmers market really wanted to — STAND OUT

Miscreants entered a hut and escaped with a 14-month-old baby girl in Malali village of Sakleshpur taluk recently. The child belongs to labourers from Madhya Pradesh. According to the police, the incident occurred when the couple went to a nearby river to wash clothes and take a bath. The miscreants left a two-and-a-half year-old male baby who was also sleeping with the baby girl

Delayed marriage among factors for birth rate dip

Other reasons are Polycystic Ovary Syndrome, Polycystic Ovary Disorder due to increased consumption of junk food

RISHITA KHANNA @Bengaluru

IN an age where birth rate is falling, factors like delayed marriages, rise in Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) and Polycystic Ovary Disorder (PCOD) cases potentially influenced by increased consumption of junk food are a primary reason for the same, highlighted health experts.

The data from 2020 shows 17.377 births per 1000 people, followed by 17.163 in 2021, 16.949 in 2022, and 16.750 in both 2023 and 2024, marking a steady decrease.

Dr Mamatha CV, consultant - Fertility & IVF, BirthRight by Rainbow Children's Hospital said that delaying marriage decreases the timeframe for women to conceive, especially if they marry at 35 or later, as their ovarian function and anti-Müllerian hormone levels decline with age, affecting both the quantity and quality of eggs. She highlighted that PCOD, primarily influenced by lifestyle factors like poor diet, sedentary habits, and stress due to late-night work shifts, disrupts ovulation, impairing a woman's ability to conceive. Endometriosis, another disorder, characterized by the growth of endometrial issue outside the uterus, causes adhesions and scarring, affecting fallopian tube function and ovarian health, further lowering fertility, Dr Mamatha added.

Dr Vishnu Priya, consultant - Obstetrics & Gynaecology – Aster Women and Children Hospital said, "Many women of reproductive age face challenges conceiving due to various fertility issues. Common factors include ovulation disorders such as PCOS which causes hormonal imbalances and disrupts ovulation, tubal blockages, endometriosis, age-related fertility decline, and uterine abnormalities like fibroids."

Explaining the consequences of untreated fertility defects, Dr Vishnu Priya said that it is a medical condition that hinders natural conception and remains unresolved through medical intervention. Left unaddressed, these issues can result in a decline in birth rates and alter demographic compositions.

In women, challenges such as hormonal imbalances, blocked fallopian tubes, and endometriosis pose obstacles to pregnancy. Similarly, men are also likely to experience fertility issues such as low sperm count or motility. Failure to treat these conditions can lead to reduced fertility rates, resulting in a population with a higher proportion of older individuals compared to younger ones, she explained.

Reporter slaps female scribe at political rally

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

A male reporter from a news agency allegedly assaulted a female correspondent from another news agency during a political rally in Ramanagara district on Thursday. Reporters from both the news agencies lodged complaint and counter complaint with the Ramanagara Town police.

The incident took place during a rally organised as part of the nomination filing by Bengaluru Rural Lok Sabha MP DK Suresh, who is contesting as Congress candidate. The incident took place when the rally approached the Ramanagara DC office.

The incident was captured on camera and subsequently shared by one of the agencies on their official X account. The video clip showed a heated exchange between the two reporters on the stage following which the male reporter slapped the female scribe twice. The news agency in a post stated, "The incident has left the reporter traumatised. The agency will also file a complaint with the National Commission for Women."

Based on the complaint filed by the woman journalist, the police have booked the male reporter for assault and outraging the modesty of a woman. Meanwhile, a senior journalist from the same agency as the male reporter issued a statement on X stating that the post was selective and seeks to suppress the first attack by the other journalist. He also shared pictures of scars on the male reporter's face. He added that the reporter has been suspended till the completion of the investigation process.

Expo to break stigma on shock treatment

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

TO break the stigma associated with Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) or shock treatment, the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS) opened an exhibition explaining what ECT entails and how it is used in treating psychiatric disorders by administering controlled amounts of current.

The exhibition, open to the public on all working days from 9 am to 4.30 pm, for two months, aims to blur the societal stigma surrounding mental health as it often leads individuals experiencing mental health challenges to neglect seeking treatment.

Dr Preeti Sinha, in-charge of ECT services at the Department of Psychiatry said, "Patients often discard ECT as an option and are hesitant to discuss it due to the belief that undergoing shock treatment signifies abnormality and an inability to recover. This societal stigma, rooted in the historical lack of awareness about such treatments, makes it challenging for individuals to accept and adapt to ECT."

Dr Preeti Sinha (left) demonstrates the process of Electroconvulsive Therapy at the NIMHANS exhibition on Thursday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Through the oldest model of ECT, Dr Preeti demonstrated the process where the current is administered in small amounts for a few seconds to the patient.

Highlighting the figures, Dr Preeti said that about 7,890 ECT sessions were administered between 2022 and 2023. These statistics illustrate a growing awareness of mental health issues among individuals, although it also underscores the considerable distance yet to be traversed in addressing such challenges.

The exhibition, conducted at the NIMHANS Heritage Museum, spotlighted five stories from individuals of various ages and professional backgrounds who had undergone ECT, sharing their personal experiences. In addition, there were movie posters portraying ECT in a negative light, juxtaposed with posters depicting the treatment service accurately.

Selection list of JEs goes missing from KPSC office

YATHIRAJU @ Bengaluru

A confidential file containing the selection list of Junior Engineers (JEs- Civil) of the Karnataka Slum Development Board (KSDB) has gone missing.

It was received by the office of the Secretary of the Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) at Udyog Soudha in the city on January 22.

Unable to find the file, the assistant secretary of KPSC lodged a complaint with the Vidhana Soudha police. The file was prepared to comply with the directions issued by the High Court of Karnataka.

While allowing a petition questioning the additional selection list, the high court had directed the KPSC to consider the case of the petitioner for the post of junior engineer. Accordingly, steps were taken to prepare the selection list.

According to the FIR, the file was submitted on January 22 after preparing it in the Confidential Section - 3 of the KPSC office for further action.

The KPSC issued a memo on February 20 to all its sections to check if they had received the file accidentally. The memo stated that the file, if found, may be returned to Recruitment Section - 2.

When the file was not found, the KPSC issued a memorandum on February 26, constituting a team of officials/staff to visit every section to trace it and submit a report. However, the team informed the KPSC that it could not find the file. Thereafter, a show cause notice was issued to the officials and staff concerned as to why action should not be taken against them over the missing file.

Meanwhile, at the 36th meeting of the KPSC held on March 13, it was resolved to file a complaint with the jurisdictional police and place the report before it.

CRIME PATROL

12 nabbed for killing rowdy sheeter

Bengaluru: In a swift operation, the Banaswadi police have solved the murder of 34-year-old rowdy sheeter S Dinesh Kumar by arresting 12 persons. Dinesh, a rowdy sheeter, was murdered inside a service apartment in Kammanahalli on Wednesday afternoon. The accused are Dilip Sagar and Ajay Christopher, both rowdy sheeters, Aravind, Nikhil alias Vicky, Gowtham, Darshan, Melvin, Karthik, Satish, Kishore, Diwakar, and Shekar. Dinesh had enmity with the main accused Dilip Sagar. Dinesh had come with his gang to the apartment to plan Dilip's murder. A few of the gang members who had come with Dinesh were in touch with Dilip. On the behest of Dilip, the gang is said to have murdered Dinesh. ENS

Man held for making hoax call to eatery

Bengaluru: Frustrated over not being paid his full salary, a 28-year-old man made a hoax bomb call to the restaurant where he worked. The accused has been identified as Velu Murugan of Banaswadi. He was later arrested by the Mahadevapura police. On Wednesday night, the accused made the hoax call to a popular restaurant located on the Indiranagar 100 feet road. The receptionist after receiving the call reported the matter to the police, who along with the bomb detection and dog squad rushed to the spot to search the premises of the restaurant. Murugan is said to have made the threat call in an inebriated state. During the interrogation, he told the police that he had availed 15 days leave last month due to an emergency but he was paid just half a month's salary. ENS

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client has negotiated to purchase the property referred in the schedule hereunder from its present owners namely **SMT. H.Y. PAVITHRA,** W/o late H.B. Ramesh Babu, aged about 41 years, R/at No. 129/1,1st Main, 9th Cross, Sunkal Farm Road, Opp. Ayyappa Temple, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-27, **SRI. HITESH .B.R,** S/o late H.B. Ramesh Babu, aged about 21 years, R/ at No. 129/1,1st Main, 9th Cross, Sunkal Farm Road, Opp. Ayyappa Temple, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-27 and **SRI. TARUN,** S/o late H.B. Ramesh Babu, aged about 15 years, R/ at No. 129/1,1st Main, 9th Cross, Sunkal Farm Road, Opp. Ayyappa Temple, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-27 (Since minor represented by his mother and natural guardian SMT. H.Y. PAVITHRA)

Interested persons may be lodge their objections if any to the proposed transaction of sale or claims with respect to the schedule property, with the undersigned **within 7 days** from hereof. Failing which our client will proceed to finalize the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Northern half portion of property bearing No. 380, present BBMP Corporation No. 23, PID No. 62-110-23, old Ward No. 62, present Ward No. 145, situated at 6th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-27. measuring East to West 80 feet, North to South 25 feet, totally measuring 2000 Sq.Ft, along with suit Stilt Floor 1700 Sq.Ft, Ground Floor 1700 Sq.Ft., First Floor 1700 Sq.Ft. Second Floor 1700 Sq.Ft and Third Floor 1700 Sq.Ft, constructed with vitrified flooring, doors and windows were made out of jungle wood with all civil amenities (vide L.P. No. 144/10-11, dated 30.08.2010) and bounded on: **East by:** Road, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** Remaining portion of property bearing No. 380 of 6th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore.

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POSSESSION NOTICE APPENDIX IV under Rule 8 (1) Section 13(4) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, Rajajinagar 1st Block Branch, Bengaluru,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated: **18.01.2024** calling upon the Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors, **1) Ms. Surabhi S. L** D/o Smt. Saraswathi K. P, No.54, 3rd Main, Nethaji Circle, Nandhini Layout, Bengaluru-560096 and **2) Smt. K. P. Saraswathi**, W/o Sri. A.T. Lokesh, No.1, 2nd Main, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.25,76,942.36 paisa (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty Two and Paisa Thirty Six Only)** as on **18.01.2024** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **27th March 2024.**

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs.25,76,942.36 paisa (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Seventy Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty Two and Paisa Thirty Six Only)** as on **18.01.2024** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Schedule Property : All that part and parcel of the Residential property bearing Western portion of Site No. 174, Khata No.133, situated at Doddabele Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bengaluru-562132, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1,200 Square Feet and bounded on : East by : Site No.175, West by : Site No.173, North by : Site No.137, South by: Road.

Date : 27.03.2024
Place :Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
[proviso to rule 9(1)]

SALE NOTICE for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, thephysical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd., Sahakarnagar Branch, will be sold by "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **17.04.2024,** for recovery of Rs. **Rs. 1,13,16,880/-** (Rupees One Crore Thirteen Lakh Sixteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Only) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. from **Mr. Mahesh Kumar Enturu (Borrowers) & Mrs. Soundarya Thanigaivelu (Co- Borrowers) & Mrs. Bharathi (Co-Borrowers) Mr. Mohana Sundaram D (Guarantors)**, as on **28.03.2024,** together with future and further interest and other charges thereon.The reserve price will be **Rs.75,50,000/-** (Rupees Seventy Five Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.7,55,000/-** (Rupees Seven Lakhs Fifty FiveThousand Only.)

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of an Immovable residential property bearing Site No. 98, Khatha No. 209, Property No. 54, Situated at Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Now comes under BBMP Limits, Measuring East to West 30ft and North to South 21 ft.
EXTENT : 630 Sq Feet along with ground floor, first floor, second floor, third floor constructed building thereon.
Boundaries: North by : Site No.99, East by : Road, West by : Road, South by: Road.
Encumbrances description: There are two encumbrances in favour of third parties, subsequent to the registered equitable mortgage in favour of Can Fin Homes Ltd. These encumbrances are not binding on Can Fin Homes Ltd as the mortgage created in favour of Can Fin Homes Ltd is prior to the said transactions.

The detailed terms and conditions of the sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (www.canfinhomes.com). Please refer to the following link https://www.canfinhomes.com/Search Auction.aspx

Date: 28.03.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **Smt. Nayana .V.R,** W/o. Somashekar, aged about 36 years, residing at No. 40, 2nd Floor, 4th Cross, Near Lifeline Surgical, Hosakerehalli, Bengaluru-560 085. is intending to purchase the schedule property morefully described in the schedule hereunder from its owner Smt. M.K. Mahalakshmi, W/o. Puttaraju .M.C., aged about 47 years, residing at No. 1, 4th Cross, 1st Main, Obalappa Layout, Paparedddy Palya, Nagrabhavi 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 072 and had entered into an agreement of sale dated 07.03.2024. Any person/s having any right, title, interest or claim in the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner are objecting to such transaction in favour of our client may write to the undersigned with requisite documentary evidence **within 15 days** from the issuance of this public notice. if no claim or objections are registered our client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction to purchase the schedule property deemed to be free from all encumbrances. Any claim received behind 15 days will not be considered.

Any person/s dealing with directly or indirectly with regard to the schedule property or in any manner shall doing so at their costs, risks and consequences and our client shall not be responsible for such acts.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the site bearing No. 69, Assessment No.53, V.P. Katha No. 60/1/1962/1/53, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet situated at Challaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, and bounded on: **East by:** Site No. 68, **West by:** Site No. 70, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No. 66.

B. SARASWATHI, Advocate
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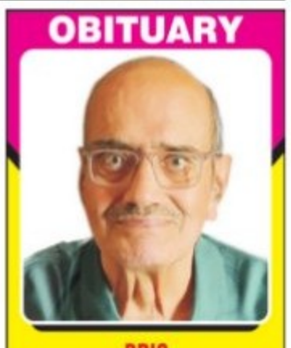

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DEMAND NOTICE PUBLICATION

LIC HFL
LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD

UNDER SEC. 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

Under sec. 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of LIC Housing Finance Limited under the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the borrower(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective demand notices within 60 days from the date of respective Notice/s, as per details given below. The said borrower(s) may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said borrower(s) to pay to LIC Housing Finance limited, within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the amounts indicated herein below in their respective names, together with further interest accrued as detailed in the said demand notices from the respective dates mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and/or realisation, read with the loan agreement & other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to LIC Housing Finance limited by the said Borrower(s) respectively. Borrower(s) attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Sl. No.	Loan No (a)	Name of borrower(s) (b)	Amount Demanded (c)	Date of Demand (d)	Date of NPA (e)
1	510900005824	Mr. S Shampath Kumar & Mrs. K Saranya	Rs.53,85,993.61/-	08.02.2024	10.05.2023

IN VELLORE DISTRICT, VELLORE REGISTRATION DISTRICT, VELLORE TALUK, VELLORE SUB-REGISTRAR OFFICE, ALAMELUMANGAPURAM VILLAGE, ANNAMALAIYUR NAGAR, IN S.NO.382/1B2B THE SITE BEARING PLOT NO.70 THE SITE MEASURING AN EXTENT, EAST TO WEST - NORTHERN SIDE 30 FEET, SOUTHERN SIDE 30 FEET, NORTH TO SOUTH - EASTERN SIDE 70 FEET, WESTERN SIDE 70 FEET, HAVING AN AREA OF 2100 SQ.FT WITH THE RCC ROOF HOUSE CONSTRUCTED THERE ON WITH BOUNDARIES: EAST BY: PLOT NO.71, WEST BY: PLOT NO.69, NORTH BY: 23 FEET WIDE 2ND CROSS STREET, SOUTH BY: PLOT NO.81.

The defaulter/s is / are liable to pay the respective due amounts within **60 days** from the date of publication of this Notice as mentioned above, failing which the Company shall take over the possession of secured asset mortgaged to us under the power conferred under **The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and pursuant to the notification by Govt. of India as notified in Extra-Ordinary Gazette** dated **10.11.2003** wherein LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD., is empowered to take possession of the secured assets including the right to transfer by way of lease assignment of sale, take over the management of the secured assets, appoint any person to manage the secured asset after its take over and require by notice in writing any person who has acquired any of the secured assets from the borrower/s and from whom any money is due or may become due and to pay the same to LIC Housing Finance Ltd., for adjusting towards the loan account. In terms of Sec.13(13) of the Act, the borrower/s are prohibited from transferring either by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of the secured assets without prior consent of LIC Housing Finance Ltd. The borrower/s, Guarantor/s may also take notice that in case the amount realized through sale of property is not sufficient to satisfy the claim made in this Notice, LIC Housing Finance Ltd., is entitled to recover the balance from you personally as per law. Also take notice that all the expenditure incurred in taking possession and sale of the secured asset shall have to be borne by you only.

Place: Vellore
Date: 29.03.2024

Authorised Officer
LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD.

POLLING DATE
PHASE-2 APRIL 26
PHASE-3 MAY 7

DAYS TO GO
PHASE-2 28
PHASE-3 39

TOTAL SEIZURES
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No. of candidates filing nominations for Phase-2 elections
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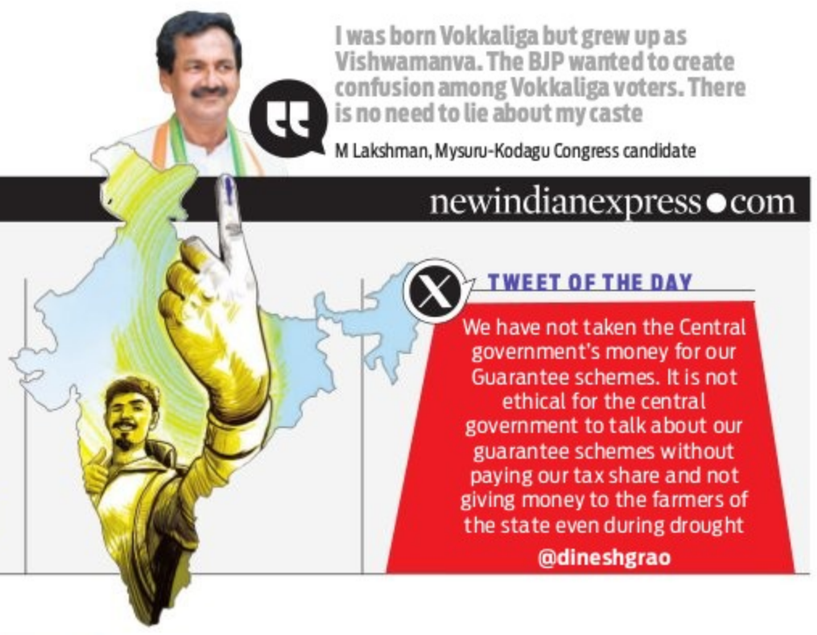

I was born Vokkaliga but grew up as Vishwamanva. The BJP wanted to create confusion among Vokkaliga voters. There is no need to lie about my caste

M Lakshman, Mysuru-Kodagu Congress candidate

TWEET OF THE DAY

We have not taken the Central government's money for our Guarantee schemes. It is not ethical for the central government to talk about our guarantee schemes without paying our tax share and not giving money to the farmers of the state even during drought

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DONE WITH LIST, BJP NOW FACES NEW CHALLENGES

Party douses fire over its candidate list and caste equations

ASHWINI M SRIPAD
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THE BJP, which has changed more than 60 per cent of its sitting MPs in Karnataka, is facing a number of challenges ahead of the Lok Sabha elections. The BJP-JDS coordination meeting is to be held in Bengaluru on Friday.

On one side, aspirants and their followers have been expressing displeasure over being overlooked, and senior BJP leaders have been pacifying them. While dissent in Mysuru-Kodagu, Bengaluru North, Davanagere and Chikkaballapura has almost fizzled out, the party is facing a challenge in Uttara Kannada, Chitradurga and Raichur.

Of 25 BJP candidates, nine are Lingayats, four are from SCs, three Brahmins, three Vokkaligas, two from ST, one Bunt, and three from Other Backward Classes. With nine Lingayats on the list, Vokkaliga Sangha members are showing unhappiness.

According to a senior BJP leader, the JDS is also fielding two Vokkaliga candidates, pushing up the community number to five, which is not low representation. In Old Mysuru region, some leaders are unhappy with the Vokkaliga representation, after former CM DV Sadananda Gowda and Pratap Simha were denied tickets.

The party has fielded 15 new faces this time, of which a few are warhorses in the state, like Jagadish Shettar from Belagavi, Govind Karjol from Chitradurga and V Somanna from Tumakuru. All three senior leaders are considered 'outsiders' in their constituencies, and local leaders are unhappy that the party is fielding outsiders.

Senior BJP leader and MLC Ravikumar said they are not 'outsiders'. While Shettar and Somanna are from neighbouring constituencies, Karjol served as Deputy CM and is known in the region. "All of them are from Karnataka and know the language and culture. This will not be an issue," he said.

One of the main challenges for BJP is its alliance with the JDS. Party sources, on condition of anonymity, said this in fact, is the biggest challenge. "Just a year ago, both parties were working against each other inside the House and outside. They contested against each other in 2023 and within a year, it is not easy for parties to work together. It is not as easy as top leaders joining hands. At the grassroots, they are from different parties," said sources. Also, minority votes will get consolidated and Congress will get an upper hand.

MLC Bharathi Shetty and BJP state vice-president Malavika Avinash address the press on the Lok Sabha polls, in Bengaluru on Thursday | ALLEN EGENUS E J

READY FOR Bbattle

Basavaraj Bommai (Haveri), V Somanna (Tumakuru), B Sriramulu (Ballari), Kota Srinivas Poojary (Udupi-Chikkamagaluru), PC Mohan (Bengaluru Central), Tejasvi Surya (Bengaluru South), Shobha Karandlaje (Bengaluru North), PC Gaddigoudar (Bagalkot), Annasaheb Jolle (Chikkodi), BY Raghavendra (Shivamogga), Dr Umesh Jadav (Gulbarga), Ramesh Jigajinagi (Vijayapura), Dr Basavaraj Kyavator (Koppal), Dr CN Manjunath (Bengaluru Rural), S Balaji (Chamarajanagara), Gayathri Siddeshwara (Davanagere), Bhagawanth Khuba (Bidar), Pralhad Joshi (Hubballi), Capt Brijesh Chowta (Dakshina Kannada), Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar (Mysuru- Kodagu), Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri (Uttara Kannada), Dr Sudhkar (Chikkaballapura), Govind Karajol (Chitradurga), Raja Amareshwara Naik (Raichur) and Jagadish Shettar (Belagavi)

Priyank gets threat letter, cops file FIR

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Kalaburagi

THE Vidhana Soudha police have registered an FIR against an unknown person for sending a threat letter to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Minister Priyank Kharge and his family members.

Priyank told reporters here on Thursday that the letter was posted from Kalaburagi to his Bengaluru office address a few days ago. The letter threatened "an encounter" by police or some people. The writer also abused him and his family members by naming their caste, he said.

Priyank said nobody could silence him by sending such letters. On whether he would seek additional police protection, Priyank said he is not scared of such letters.

Priyank said BJP leaders, especially Pratap Simha, former minister Sunil Kumar, former deputy chief minister KS Eshwarappa and Gulbarga MP Umesh Jadhav, have made it a habit to criticise him. "Let them criticise the policies of our government. Let them criticise me if I have not done anything for the public. The BJP leaders are unable to see my performance as a minister. Hence, they indulge in making personal remarks against me," Priyank alleged.

KKRDB president Dr Ajay Singh, MLA Allamaprabhu Patil and MLC Tippannappa Kamaknoor were present.

Actor Shivarajkumar and his wife Geetha during an election campaign at Haranahalli in Shivamogga taluk on Wednesday evening | EXPRESS

Aim is to bag support prices for farmers, says Geetha Shivarajkumar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga

DISTRICT Minister S Madhu Bangarappa said his father and former CM late S Bangarappa contributed immensely for the upliftment of rural areas of the district and urged rural voters to support his sister Geetha Shivarajkumar who is contesting from Shivamogga Lok Sabha constituency.

Madhu was speaking at a campaign meeting at Haranahalli village of the taluk on Wednesday evening. "The state's guarantee schemes serve as a beacon of hope for the common man. Similarly, during S Bangarappa's administration, numerous schemes, including free electricity, were implemented to support the oppressed classes," he added.

Madhu said solutions to the challenges faced by those affected by the Sharavathi Project and 'Bagair Hukum' farmers lie in the heart of Delhi. "However, MP B Y Raghavendra, who has been in power for 10 years, has yet to take any action in this regard. I urge you to vote for Geetha for this purpose and ensure her victory. Geetha's win will undoubtedly bring justice to the oppressed classes of the district," Madhu said.

Congress candidate Geetha pledged to work towards securing support prices for farmers. "While Minister Madhu Bangarappa helps farmers at the state-level, I will diligently address the farmers' issues at the central level," she said.

Actor Shivarajkumar stressed on the need for change, highlighting that while guarantee plans must effectively assist the impoverished. "Only then will government schemes hold value. I trust these schemes have benefited the masses," he said.

KPCC spokesperson Ayanur Manjunath hailed the lift irrigation projects, initiated by former CM Bangarappa, as a matter of pride. Congress district unit president H S Sundaresh remarked that the promises made to the people following Congress' ascension to power in the state have been fulfilled. "It is imperative to uproot the BJP. Let's rally behind Geetha for this cause," he urged.

Resignation threat high drama: Min

V VELAYUDHAM @ Kolar

KARNATAKA Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa on Thursday called the resignation threat by five Congress legislators over the party's candidate for the Lok Sabha elections from Kolar a "high drama".

On Wednesday, five Congress legislatures, including Minister MC Sudhakar, threatened to resign, opposing the possible candidacy of Chikkapeddanna, the son-in-law of Muniyappa, from Kolar.

Muniayappa said that the resignation episode was nothing but a "high drama". "Ahead of elections, such incidents are common. People are closely watching the actions of elected representatives," he added.

Muniyappa said he will also meet Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and discuss the matter with him. "I have been in politics and the Congress for nearly 40 years. I have been loyal to the party, and the party has always given me good positions. I have even served as a Union minister, and now I am a minister in the state cabinet," he said.

After opposition, Joshi says ready to apologise to seer

PRAMODKUMAR VAIDYA
@ Hubballi

UNION Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, Coal and Mines Pralhad Joshi appears to be under pressure after a group of Veerashaiva Lingayat Mutts of the region demanded the BJP's central leadership to shift his candidature to another constituency from Dharwad. Despite claiming innocence, the minister said he was not averse to apologise.

However, Dharwad Murugha Mutt seer has distanced himself from the demand for a change in the candidate. Heads of various Lingayat mutts of the region met at Moorusavira Mutt on Wednesday and accused Joshi of systematically oppressing leaders of all communities and showing no respect towards religious heads of the communities. They resolved to oppose the candidature of Joshi for Dharwad. But the BJP veteran dismissed their demand and refused to talk about Joshi's candidature.

On Thursday, Joshi told the media, "I shall not hesitate to seek the apology of Dingaleshwar Swamiji if the latter points out my mistake. Moreover, I hold the swami in high regard and if he has any misconception, it will be cleared".

Pralhad Joshi seeks the blessings of Gurusidda Rajayogindra Mahaswami in Hubballi | D HEMANTH

Stating that he has a long association with Shirahatti Bhavaikya Peetha, the Union minister said the senior seer of the Peetha, Fakeereshwara Swami, has always blessed him, and he is devoted to Dingaleshwara Swamiji.

Refusing to react to a query over making him a villain on the issue of Veerashaiva Lingayat candidature, Joshi said after becoming MP, he had been working for the welfare of all sections of society. In fact, the BJP had given tickets to Lingayat community members in seven of eight assembly segments in his parliamentary segment. Moreover, there is no caste, creed or religious bias in the party, he added.

Murugha Mutt seer clarifies

Mallikarjun Mahaswamiji of Dharwad Murugha Mutt, who attended the Veerashaiva Lingayat seers' meeting and was also present during the press briefing, has dissociated himself from the demand to shift Pralhad Joshi from Dharwad parliamentary seat.

In a press release, the swami said the mutt is not limited to any political party, and does not participate in political matters. It also has nothing to do with a decision taken by any political party.

About Wednesday's meeting, the Murugha Mutt pontiff said Dingaleshwar Swami had invited seers for the Chintan-Manthan meeting. Asked about changing Dharwad Lok Sabha BJP candidate Pralhad Joshi, he said it was Dingaleshwar Swami's personal stand.

Sriramulu to file papers from Ballari on April 12

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR
@ Ballari

BJP candidate B Sriramulu campaigns in Ballari on Thursday

THE BJP's candidate for Ballari, B Sriramulu, has said that he will file his nomination to face the upcoming Lok Sabha elections on April 12. The constituency will vote on May 7.

Though the Congress is yet to announce its candidate, Sandur MLA E Tukaram has been conducting regular meetings with party workers, and sources say he could get the party ticket.

According to informed sources, Tukaram tried to get the party ticket for his daughter. Minister Santosh Lad, however, convinced Tukaram to fight from Ballari, said sources.

Sriramulu, a former minister, told The New Indian Express that he will file his nomination on April 12. "I am not blaming the Congress for the delay in announcing its candidate. This shows they are not confident of winning. The people of the constituency have already decided to elect me as the MP, as they want to see Prime Minister Narendra Modi as the PM once again. My achievements in the past as a minister will help me win," he said.

Political pundits opine that this delay by the Congress will be a big advantage for Sriramulu.

A BJP leader, on condition of anonymity, told TNIE that the delay in the Congress shows that it is in a state of confusion. "E Tukaram is likely to be the Congress candidate. However, there is no official announcement yet. It is their internal matter. We will inform the voters during the campaign that the Congress is not even fit to find strong leaders," the leader added.

WORD FEUD: BOMMAI SHRUGS OFF HK PATIL'S 'CHARLIE' JIBE

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Gadag

FORMER CM Basavaraj Bommai is like "Davangere Charlie" while Gaddadevaramath is a young wild card fighter, nobody knows how strong he is, minister HK Patil said. The term 'Charlie' is considered none too flattering, and means "an old and experienced fighter".

He was answering a question on whether Bommai, being a senior leader, would give the new Congress candidate a tough fight. Patil claimed that Bommai carries a big amount of luggage, and gave an example of how a new candidate can throw up a surprise in the poll fray. Patil and his brother and former MLA D R Patil are campaigning for Gaddadevaramath in rural parts of Gadag.

There are seven assembly constituencies that have voted for Congress MLAs and only one has gone to the BJP. Congress leaders are confident of winning and are campaigning hard across Gadag and Haveri districts.

Reacting to the term "Davangere Charlie", Bommai said HK Patil is showing his frustration over the plight of his party. "Patil is a senior leader and has been minister several times, what stops him from contesting for the parliament election? Patil has done nothing for the taluk. Everyone thinks of him as a cultured minister, but he act conversely," he charged.

Speaking in Haveri, Bommai ridiculed KPCC president D K Shivakumar for talking about differences in the BJP, and questioned him about his own party in Kolar, Chikkaballapur and Bagalkot. He told reporters that Congress MLAs of Kolar district have threatened to resign, and there has been groupism in Kolar district for many years. "Shivakumar talks about rebellion in the BJP. What is his reaction to rebellion in the Congress across the state?" he chided.

ELECTION2024

Senior Cong leader to quit if denied ticket

Chikballapur: Senior Congress leader and former agriculture minister N H Shiva Shankara Reddy has decided that will quit the Grand Old Party if he does not get a ticket to contest from the Chikballapur Lok Sabha constituency. Speaking to The New Indian Express, he said he will wait till the list is announced, if the party fields any candidate other than him, he will resign. "There will be no question of any compromise. I have been in the party for decades and have been elected legislator five times in a row from Gouribidanur assembly segment. I am loyal to the party always," he said. Reddy also said he has not decided to resign as he was defeated in the last assembly election. Even after the defeat, he has been active in the politics and is keen on building the party. **ENS**

RMP to file candidates in K'taka in LS polls

Belagavi: Rashtriya Maratha Party (RMP) will field its candidates in 10 Lok Sabha constituencies across Karnataka in the upcoming elections, announced Shamsundar Gaikwad of RMP. Addressing reporters on Thursday, Gaikwad revealed that Ishwar Rudrappa Ghadi (Advocate) was nominated for the Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency, and was felicitated during the occasion. Additionally, Gaikwad himself will be contesting for the Uttara Kannada Lok Sabha Constituency. Gaikwad further disclosed names of other RMP candidates for various Lok Sabha constituencies: GD Ghorpade for Dharwad constituency, Narayan Rao Gaikwad for Haveri constituency, Vinod Salunke for Chikodi constituency, Vijaykumar Patel for Bidar constituency, Srikanth Mudhol for Bagalkot constituency, and Devraj Shinde for Shivamogga constituency. **ENS**

Fisherfolk in Karaikal have decided to boycott the upcoming elections if the Centre and Puducherry government do not intervene and seek release of 2 boat drivers in Sri Lankan custody. The decision was taken by fisherfolk panchayat representatives from 11 villages on Wednesday

PHONE TAPPING

SIT arrests, grills police officers

Court grants 5-day custody to ASPs, dismisses petition for Praneeth's custody

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Hyderabad

THE police on Thursday made two more arrests in the phone-tapping case, taking into custody former Task Force OSD Radha Kishan Rao and CI Gattu Mallu. The two cops were interrogated by the Special Investigation Team officials at the Banjara Hills police station.

The probe team is looking into their alleged involvement in the phone-tapping case and their relationship with Prabhakar Rao and D Praneeth Rao. It is said that Radha Kishan Rao appeared before the investigation team following lookout notices issued against him. Earlier, while a case was registered against Praneeth Rao, the former Task Force OSD was reported as absconding.

The police issued lookout notices against him and the prime accused, former Special Intelligence Bureau chief Prabhakar Rao.

While Prabhakar Rao reportedly reached out to the investigation team saying he was in the US for a medical treatment and would be in touch with the Investigating Officer, Radha Kishan Rao returned to Hyderabad and appeared before the police for interrogation on Thursday.

Radha Kishan Rao is suspected of being involved in illegally recording phone conversations and using the audio clips to extort money from businessmen. Gattu Malu was allegedly arrested based on the statements of the accused officers.

The police have also arrested Praneeth Rao's driver, sources said. Meanwhile, the Nampally court granted the police a five-day custody of the two additional SPs — Bhujanga Rao and Tirupatanna. However, the court dismissed a petition filed by the police seeking custody of Praneeth Rao.

Judges phones too were tapped: Raghu

BJP leader and former MLA Raghunandan Rao claimed that phones of high court judges, political opponents and businessmen were tapped during the previous BRS government. He also me the DGP and demanded that former chief minister K Chandrasekhar Rao and Harish Rao also be named as accused in the phone-tapping case.

On Wednesday, Mahbubnagar Congress MLA Yennam Srinivas Reddy also made compliant by alleging the the phone numbers of politicians and prominent people in Mahbubnagar were tapped.

LCA Tejas advance version takes first sortie

MAYANK SINGH @ NEW DELHI

INCHING ahead with manufacturing of an advanced version of indigenous Light Combat Aircraft Tejas, on Thursday the first aircraft (LA5033) of the Tejas Mk1A Aircraft series took to the skies from HAL facility in Bengaluru.

CB Ananthakrishnan, CMD, HAL said, "HAL achieved this significant production milestone with concurrent design & development amid major supply chain challenges in the global geo-political environment subsequent to the contract signature in February 2021."

The aircraft was piloted by Chief Test Pilot, Gp Capt KK Venugopal (Retd) and it was a successful sortie with a flying time of 18 minutes, added HAL.

"The aircraft taxied out from the hangars of HAL's Aircraft Division and took off at 1:15pm and successfully landed at 1:33 pm," an official added.

As per the HAL, the Tejas Mk1A will have advanced electronic RADAR, warfare, communication systems, additional combat capability and improved maintenance features.

The Tejas Mk1A is having over 40 enhancements from its previous version which is already in operation.

These enhancements include air-to-air refuelling, beyond-visual-range [BVR] capabilities, and enemy radar interference capacity, among others, added a source.

The first to operate the LCA Mk1A will be IAF's 'Cobras', Number 3 Squadron, as it retires its vintage Russian-origin MiG-21 Bisons.

The first indigenous LCA was inducted in July 2016. The first IAF Squadron to induct the Tejas was No 45 Squadron, the 'Flying Daggers'. Over the years, the squadron progressed from Vampires to Gnats and then to the MiG-21 Bis, before being equipped with Tejas.

The first Aircraft LA5033 of the Tejas Mk1A Aircraft series takes off from HAL facility in Bengaluru on Thursday.

Going ahead, the Indian Air Force had placed an order for 83 LCA Mk1A fighter aircraft in January 2021. Further, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh-headed defence acquisition council in December 2023 gave approval for the procurement of an additional 97 LCA Mk1A fighter aircraft from HAL. Presently, the IAF has 40 aircraft of the first version of LCA.

Under the IAF's plan to increase the profile of the indigenous combat platforms. These aircraft will replace the ageing squadrons of the MiG 21 fighter jets. Once this order is completed in the stipulated 15 years, the IAF will have 40 LCA, over 180 LCA Mark-1A and at least 120 LCA Mark-2 planes.

However, there is a delay in the delivery of the contracted fighters. HAL has established three lines of production to meet the timeline. The HAL had to deliver the first LCA Tejas Mk1A fighter in February 2024. Currently, the HAL produces 8 LCA aircraft per year and it is expected to double it by 2025, and subsequently, to 24 aircraft per year over the succeeding three years.

BEAT THE HEAT

Vendors line up air coolers outside their stores in Secunderabad as the temperature soars in the city | VINAY MADAPU

Kerala Guv appoints commission to probe vet student's death

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@T'Puram

IN an unprecedented move, Governor Arif Mohammed Khan has ordered an Inquiry Commission headed by a retired High Court judge to probe the death of J S Sidharthan, a student of the College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences at Pookode in Wayanad.

Retired Justice A Hariprasad has been appointed the Commission of Inquiry to investigate the administrative lapses, failure of authorities to prevent ragging and other criminal activities on the campus, as per the University Act and anti-ragging regulations issued by the UGC. Kunhan V G, who retired as Dy SP with the Wayanad Special Branch, has been appointed to assist the commission.

> Commission should inquire into the lapses on the part of the university authorities, including that of the then VC, to contain incidents of ragging and violence
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> - Notification

The expenses of the commission, including remuneration, hospitality and conveyance, will be born by the Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, the notification read. Sidharthan, second-year student, was found dead in the college hostel on February 18, allegedly following a 'mob trial' and assault by a group of students. Sidharthan's father Jayaprakash had recently met the governor at Raj Bhavan, requesting for speedy action against those responsible for his son's death.

Khan set up the single-man commission in his capacity as the chancellor of university, exercising his powers under Section 9(7) and 9(9) of the Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Act, 2010. The inquiry report should be submitted within three months.

As per the terms of reference given to the commission, it should inquire into lapses by the administration, which resulted in the death of Sidharthan.

The commission should also inquire into the "lapses on the part of the university authorities/officers, including that of the then vice chancellor and the dean, to contain incidents of ragging and violence on the campus, leading to the unfortunate incident and shall fix the responsibility on the officers or authorities of the university for omissions, lapses, if any, which led to the tragic incident", said the notification.

HOLY SATURDAY

Kerala upset over no leave in Manipur

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kochi

A NOTIFICATION passed by the Manipur government - making Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday working days for government offices, corporations and autonomous bodies in the north-eastern state, has triggered a political slugfest between Congress and BJP leaders in Kerala.

Following the furore, the Manipur government revised the order to make Easter Sunday a holiday, however, Saturday will remain a working day. The political heat continued to resonate throughout the day.

"I am shocked. As you know in our country, we have built a system of mutual respect amongst religions and faiths and particularly respect that people deserve for their special days according to their religious traditions," said Congress leader Shashi Tharoor, who is locked in an intense contest in Thiruvananthapuram.

Tharoor's BJP opponent, union minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar said that he was "very confident" that the Manipur government would not take any such initiative. Quoting news reports, Chandrasekhar said the Manipur government wanted to complete their year-ending work and therefore, was working on Sunday. "Christians all over the country will celebrate Easter. I am very confident there will be no such initiative by the Manipur government," he said.

POLL DRAMA

Kerala model story is a bit sad: Nirmala

T'Puram: The Kerala model story of the state is a bit sad, said Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. She was inaugurating the election convention of BJP's candidate for Thiruvananthapuram Rajeev Chandrasekhar. "Kerala model was good once upon a time. However, Kerala's performance in six sectors was below national average. In health, education, rural development Kerala's expenditure is below the national average. The Comptroller and Auditor General in the 2020-2022 report had said that in direct benefit transfer schemes there was no data and coordination in the state.

RS MP to dump BRS for Congress

Hyderabad: In what should come as a rude jolt to the beleaguered BRS, which is fighting a losing battle in retaining its leaders, Rajya Sabha member K Keshava Rao too confirmed that he is getting ready to do a prodigal son. He will be dumping the BRS along with his mayor-daughter Gadwal Vijayalaxmi and returning to Congress, his alma mater. They will join the grand old party on March 30 at Chief Minister A Revanth Reddy's residence. At the end of an eventful day, Keshav Rao, in a chit chat with reporters, confirmed his decision to rejoin the Congress.

ODISHA CM MEETS MOHANTY, ASKS HIM TO WIN KENDRAPARA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bhubaneswar

ODISHA Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik and BJD supremo on Thursday summoned party leaders from Kendrapara district including the LS candidate Anshuman Mohanty following reports of discontentment among latter's supporters after his name was announced as the party's nominee for the parliamentary constituency.

The CM had to step in personally as the situation had deteriorated to such extent that supporters of Mohanty who were scheduled to join BJD on Wednesday at Kendrapara went back in protest after he was announced as the candidate by the party. It was speculated that Mohanty was considering not to contest the Lok Sabha election against BJP heavyweight and national vice-president Baijayant Panda from the seat.

Besides, there was also opposition from a section of Kendrapara district unit of the party when Mohanty joined the regional outfit on February 22.

> Supporters were apprehensive after being announced as LS candidate. But it is nothing now. I am fully prepared to contest the the elections
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> Anshuman Mohanty, LS candidate (Kendrapara)

Sources said the CM is reported to have asked Mohanty to contest the polls and win. "My best wishes are with you. Contest from the seat and emerge victorious," he told Mohanty.

Mohanty was accompanied to Naveen Niwas by Industries Minister Pratap Deb, Food Supplies and Consumer Welfare Minister Atanu Sabyasachi Nayak and Patkura Assembly seat candidate Arvind Mohapatra. However, BJD's candidate and sitting MLA from Rajnagar, Dhruba Charan Sahu, an arch rival of Mohanty in Kendrapara was absent exposing serious factionalism in the district unit.

The chief minister asked the leaders from the district to work unitedly during the elections and ensure the party emerges victorious from the Kendrapara seat with a bigger margin than the 2019 polls.

After the meeting at Naveen Niwas, Mohanty told TNIE that reports that he was reluctant to contest the Lok Sabha election was a rumour spread by his detractors. Mohanty admitted that his supporters were apprehensive after he was announced as the LS candidate. "But it is nothing now. I am fully prepared to contest the Lok Sabha election," he added.

Erode MP A Ganeshamurthi dies in Coimbatore hospital

Coimbatore: Erode MP A Ganeshamurthi, who was under treatment at a private hospital in Coimbatore for the past three days after an alleged suicide attempt, on Sunday, died around 5.05 am on Thursday. He did not respond to treatment. The 77-year-old three-time MP from Erode was a senior functionary of the Marumalarchi Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (MDMK) and had worked as a treasurer of the party for many years. He won the 2019 Lok Sabha election by contesting on DMK symbol. It was alleged that Ganeshamurthi was in depression after he was denied seat by the MDMK. The DMK has fielded its candidate in Erode and has instead given the Tiruchy seat to the MDMK. Durai Vaiko, son of MDMK general secretary Vaiko, was named as the party's Tiruchy candidate. Hospital and MDMK sources had said that he was in the ICU and was on ECMO support. Ganeshamurthi's body was taken to the Government Medical College Hospital at Perundurai in Erode district and was later handed over to his family. His mortal remains was taken to his native Kumaravalasu in Erode district and will be cremated on Friday at his farmhouse, sources said.

LEOPARD SPOTTED IN TIRUMALA

Tirumala: A leopard is spotted sprawling very close to the foothpath dedicated for devotees reaching Tirumala by foot. Forest department officials and TTD DFO said that the leopard was spotted just 14 meters away from the footpath. "The leopard hiding on a small tree is also visible in the footage. The leopard was spotted during the early hours of 25 and 26 March. Forest department and TTD staff are on high alert, and are alerting the pilgrims.

EXPRESS READ

Elephant tramples woman in Kerala

Kalpetta: A 33-year-old tribal woman, who went to the forest for collecting honey, was trampled to death by a wild elephant attack at Parappanpara in the Meppadi forest range in Wayanad on Thursday. Her husband suffered serious injuries in the incident. The deceased is Mini, of Cholanaikkan tribe at Vaduvanchal in Muppainad panchayat. This is the fourth death caused by wild elephants in Wayanad this year. Mini went to the forest with her husband, Suresh, on Wednesday. She was found dead in the search by the local residents on Thursday.

T'gana couple dies by suicide in Kodagu

Madikeri: A couple from Telangana, committed suicide at a private lodge in Somwarpet, Kodagu. The incident came to light late on Wednesday. M Raju (56) and his wife Swati (52) were staying at a private lodge in the town for nearly two months. The hotel management confirmed that the couple had been staying for over two months, as they were taking medical treatment for herpes. A case has been filed in Somwarpet police station, and the reason for suicide is yet to be ascertained.

'Main handler was in touch with M'luru terror accused'

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SHARIQ had then given some names and aliases of his handler to the police, which were misleading.

The main handler of the module is said to be out of India and was in constant touch with Shariq and others on VPN enabled Apps for secret conversations.

The handler had financed Shariq for terror activities through cryptocurrency and had assigned him with smaller tasks to prove his mettle and commitment for larger assignments for jihad, the sources said.

Shariq had allegedly told the police that there are many youths like him, who are highly radicalised and would go to any extent to establish the rule of shariah in India, the sources added.

The police had then revealed the names of terror suspects as Arafath Ali, Mussabir Hussain and Taha.

Vikram-1 launch vehicle stage-2 test-fired

AARTI KASHYAP @ Hyderabad

CITY-based start-up Skyroot Aerospace successfully test-fired the second stage of the Vikram-1 space launch vehicle, named Kalam-250, at the propulsion testbed of the ISRO at Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota on Wednesday. Vikram-1 will be India's first rocket vehicle in the private sector, designed and manufactured entirely in India.

The second stage of Vikram-1 plays a crucial role in the ascent of the launch vehicle, propelling it from the atmosphere to the deep vacuum of outer space. The test, lasting 85 seconds, recorded a peak sea-level thrust of 186 kilonewtons (kN), which will translate to a fully expanded vacuum thrust of 235 kN during flight. The stage-2 test follows the startup's suborbital space launch in November 2022. The third stage of Vikram-1, Kalam-100, was successfully test-fired in June 2021.

The Kalam-250 features a high-strength carbon composite rocket motor using solid fuel and a high-performance ethylene-propylene-diene terpolymers (EPDM) thermal protection system (TPS).

The stage includes a carbon ablative flex nozzle along with high-precision electro-mechanical actuators for thrust vector control of the vehicle, aiding in achieving the desired trajectory.

This test also received significant support from another ISRO centre, the Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), which provided its proprietary head-mounted safe arm (HMSA) for the test, ensuring the safe operation of the rocket stage.

The BJP has neither implemented any irrigation project, nor a dam or a university so far in the country. It is promoting Modi as its guarantee. On the other side, the Congress has implemented all its guarantees

Satish Jarkiholi, PWD Minister

● Siddu, DKS take part in huge meet for Suresh ● BJP-JDS candidate goes on temple run

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, DCM DK Shivakumar, Congress Bengaluru Rural candidate DK Suresh during a party workers' meet in Ramanagara on Thursday

Cong show of strength as Suresh files papers

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CONGRESS' Bengaluru Rural candidate DK Suresh filed his nomination papers in Ramanagara on Thursday.

Later, in a show of strength and unity, Suresh took part in a huge public event along with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Deputy CM DK Shivakumar.

Addressing the event, Siddaramaiah asked people if they want an MP who is of them or (noted cardiologist) Dr CN Manjunath, the BJP candidate from the constituency, who is a "white-collar" person. Voters have to decide this, he added.

During the event, Suresh also took the blessings of Siddaramaiah.

The CM said Suresh will win this time as well. "I keep getting details from the ground and based on this I can say that he is going to win," he said.

"Suresh has been working for the constituency and he will be your voice in New Delhi. He will continue working for you," he said.

Stating that ever since the Congress formed came to power, the government has been working on fulfilling its promises. "In just a matter of eight months, we have implemented all five guarantee schemes. If you vote for the BJP, there is no use," he said.

Siddaramaiah said the guarantees have reached every household irrespective of the caste, religion or gender of people. "We have reached all working class people. Our government's money is also reaching the houses of BJP and JDS workers. We have not made any discrimination, we are giving free rice and free power and also Rs 2,000 to the women head of the family," he said.

Siddaramaiah said when the BJP was in power, people used to pay taxes, but they did not spend this money on people. "Instead, they increased the price of petrol, diesel, fertiliser and other essentials," he added.

With Gowda's blessing, Prajwal aims for win

BR UDAYA KUMAR @Hassan

HASSAN sitting MP Prajwal Revanna filed his nomination papers as NDA candidate in the presence of his father HD Revanna, MLAs A Manju, CN Balakrishna and Swaroop Prakash in Hassan on Thursday.

Strictly following the advice of the family priest, Prajwal arrived at the deputy commissioner's office at 11.20 am and handed over one set of nomination papers to the returning officer C Satyabhama at exactly 11.30 am.

Before filing his papers, Prajwal took the blessings of his grandfather JDS supremo H D Deve Gowda and offered a special poojas at Lakshmi Narasimhaswamy Temple at Holenarasipur town, Eshwar Temple at Haradanahalli and Ranganathaswamy Temple at Mavinakere in Holenarasipur taluk.

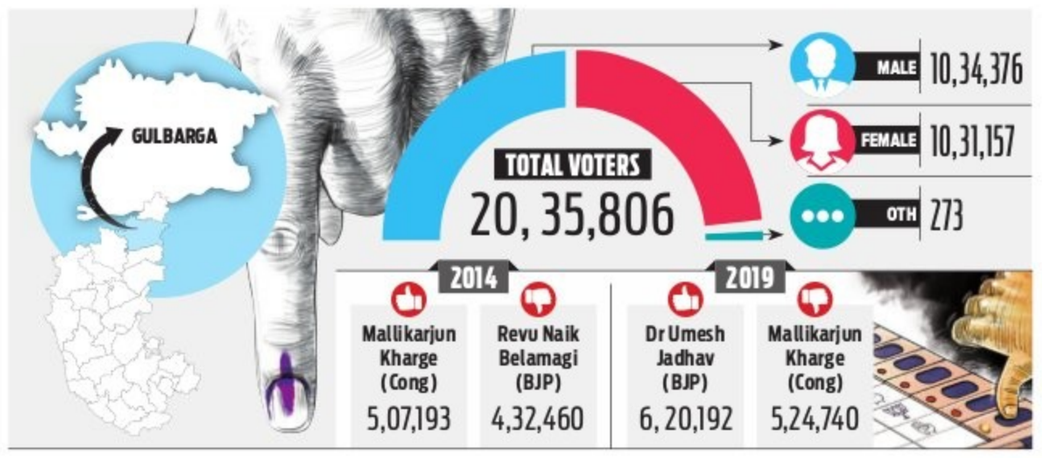
He also placed his nomination papers along with the deposit amount in front of Mavinakere Ranganatha and these were blessed by the priest.

Speaking to the reporters after filing the papers, Prajwal said he also will file two sets of nomination papers on April 4 followed by a public rally by BJP and JDS leaders in Hassan. Deve Gowda and JDS state president HD Kumaraswamy as well as BJP leaders B S Yediyurappa and BY Vijayendra will attend the public rally, he added.

BJP-JDS candidate Prajwal Revanna takes the blessing of his grandfather HD Deve Gowda before filing papers

Prajwal's assets worth ₹40.94 cr

Hassan BJP-JDS candidate Prajwal Revanna has declared assets worth Rs 40.94 crore. As per the affidavit submitted along with the nomination papers, Prajwal has 1 kg gold, 23 kg silver and diamond jewelry worth Rs 1.90 lakh. He has cash of Rs 9.29 lakh. He earned Rs 2.75 crore from his agriculture land and Rs 1.33 crore from non-agriculture activities. He is also the owner of different properties, including commercial complexes in Bengaluru, Mysuru, Nelamangala and Holenarasipur. Prajwal liabilities of Rs 4.48 crore as he taken loans from his family members. Prajwal has a tractor worth Rs 5 lakh, 31 cows and four bullocks. Interestingly, he has to remit Rs 3.04 crore to the government towards tax dues and the case on this is pending before the court.



Kharge not in fray, but fight still between him & BJP

RAMAKRISHNA BADSESHI
@ Kalaburagi

Radhakrishna Dodmani

Dr Umesh Jadhav

THOUGH All-India Congress Committee (AICC) president Mallikarjun Kharge is not contesting the Lok Sabha elections from Gulbarga (SC Reserve) constituency, people in the northern Karnataka district believe that this time too it is a political battle between Kharge and incumbent MP, Dr Umesh Jadhav (BJP). Mallikarjun Kharge's son-in-law, Radhakrishna Dodmani, is the Congress candidate from the constituency.

Radhakrishna, popularly known as 'RK' in political circles, is making his debut in electoral politics. Hailing from Gundgurti village in Chittapur taluk of Kalaburgi district, Radhakrishna is a B.Com graduate and was instrumental in the success of his father-in-law in almost all his previous elections. Radhakrishna is a known face among the Congress leaders and workers, but he is a stranger to the people of the constituency. He has so far never addressed any election rallies.

Gulbarga, which was a general category constituency until 2009, was considered a "safe seat" for the Congress, with the party winning 15 of the 18 Lok Sabha polls. However, that changed in the 1996 and 1998 polls, with Qamarul Islam of the Janata Dal and Basavaraj Patil Sedam of the BJP getting elected to the Lok Sabha in 1996 and 1998, respectively. But, again in 1999 and 2004, the constituency elected Congress candidate Iqbal Ahmed Saradagi, who is Kharge's classmate.

In 2009, Kharge entered national politics by contesting from Gulbarga for the first time after it became a SC Reserve constituency. He defeated the BJP's Revu Naik Belamagi by a margin of 13,404 votes, which increased to 74,733 votes in the 2014 elections.

Kharge tasted defeat for the first time in his political life at the hands of BJP candidate Dr Umesh Jadhav in the 2019 LS polls by a margin of 95,452 votes. Dr Jadhav was earlier a Congress MLA from Chincholi constituency.

The Congress banks mostly on bringing amendments to Article 371 J of the Constitution for Kalyana Karnataka as about 10,000 youths from the region, including those from Kalaburagi district, got admission into medical colleges and nearly 1 lakh students in engineering colleges of the region in the last 10 years. The Congress claims the credit for establishing ESIC Medical College, Central University of Karnataka, Trauma Care Hospital, Jayadeva Institute of Cardiology, and the Kalaburagi Bench of the High Court in Kalaburagi.

On its part, the BJP claims of launching a mega textile park in Kalaburagi, which will give direct employment to 1 lakh people and indirect employment to 2 lakh people. It also claims credit for starting a direct Vande Bharat Express from Kalaburagi to Bengaluru and another weekly express train between the two cities.

Ironically, none of the parties have evolved a formula to safeguard the people of the constituency, who face droughts or floods almost every year. The farmers are not getting remunerative prices for tur, which is a major crop in the district. The migration of farm laborers is also rampant.

The Assembly segments that come under this constituency are Chittapur, Gulbarga-North, Gulbarga-South, Gulbarga-Rural, Sedam, Jewargi, and Afzalpur of Kalaburagi district, and Gurmitkal of Yadgir district.

According to a survey, over 7 lakh voters are Lingayats, 2 lakh belong to the Lambani community, 3.5 lakh hail from the Backward Classes, 3 lakh are Dalits, 3 lakh are Muslims, and the remaining belong to other castes/communities.

"While the Congress enjoys the support of Dalits, Minorities, and, to some extent, Backward Classes, the BJP enjoys the support of the Upper Castes, Lambanis, Backward Classes, and SC (Left)," opined a political pundit.

BJP'S CAPT CHOWTA FILES NOMINATIONS IN DK

Mangaluru: Two candidates filed their papers for the Lok Sabha elections from Dakshina Kananda constituency on the first day of filing of nominations for the April 26 polling. BJP candidate Capt Brijesh Chowta and JDU candidate Suprith Kumar Pujari submitted their nomination papers to Deputy Commissioner Mullai Muhilan M P, who is also the election officer of Dakshina Kannada Lok Sabha constituency. Capt Chowta from Dakshina Kannada Lok Sabha constituency declared assets worth about Rs 70 lakh in his affidavit filed before the Election Commission. He has movable assets worth Rs 27.31 lakh, including bank balance of Rs 2.15 lakh, an Innova Toyota Crysta worth Rs 8.15 lakh, 137 gram of gold worth Rs 9 lakh, investments worth Rs 7.20 lakh and Rs 80,000 in cash. His immovable asset include inherited property of five parcels of land totalling 1.42 acre in Talapady village of Ullal taluk. He has a car loan of Rs 9.62 lakh. He has declared an annual income of Rs 6.51 lakh during FY 22-23.

EXPRESS READ

Situation favourable for Cong in state, dist for easy win: MB Patil

Vijayapura: Claiming that the 'Modi wave' has deflated in the country, Medium and Large Industries minister, MB Patil said that the Modi wave will have no impact in the Lok Sabha polls in Karnataka. Addressing Congress party workers in Vijayapura on Thursday, he said the BJP is seeking for votes along religious lines but the Congress is working towards the development of communities to win votes. The BJP particulary rakes up emotional and religious issues during the elections to win votes. In the last LS polls, it raked 'nationalism' issue after the Pulawama terror attack, he added. "The Congress never uses patriotism as a strategy to seek votes but it raises issues of development," he said. Appealing to party workers to strive for the victory of Congress candidate of Vijayapura SC reserved constituency, Raju Algur, Patil said without rigorous efforts of party workers, it is impossible to win the elections. He stated that situations are conducive for the Congress in the state. Meanwhile, Indi MLA, Yeshwantraigouda Patil said people have two options before them -- either vote for a party that is hellbent on destroying democratic values or to vote for a party that has been upholding the secular values of the pluralistic nation. **ENS**

Laxmi questions Shettar's contribution to devpt of B'gavi

Gokak: Questioning the contributions of Jagadish Shettar, Women and Child Development Minister and BJP candidate from Belagavi Lok Sabha constituency, Laxmi Hebbalkar said Shettar dealt unjustly with the people of Belagavi during the Covid pandemic by taking away oxygen cylinders allotted to them to his hometown in Hubballi. Speaking to the media in Gokak during a Congress election campaign on Thursday, she said Shettar was falsely claiming that Belagavi is Karmabhumi after he was appointed as candidate to contest the polls. She added that Shettar was elected to the state assembly from Hubballi six times. Later, he went on to become the leader of opposition, besides serving the government as a minister before becoming the Chief Minister and President of the BJP state unit. When the people of Hubballi defeated him, he moved to Belagavi to contest the elections. She also questioned the contributions of Shettar for the development of Belagavi. Further, she recalled the 'go back' campaign launched by BJP workers against Shettar, appealing to party top brass not to allow an outsider to contest from Belagavi. Many top leaders of Belagavi not only held a meeting opposing the candidature of Shettar but also met top party leaders in Belagavi, urging to field a local leader. **ENS**

BJP MLA blames BSY for son missing ticket

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HOLALKERE BJP MLA M Chandrappa has blamed former chief minister BS Yediyurappa for his son MC Raghuchandan missing the party ticket from Chitradurga Lok Sabha constituency. The BJP has instead fielded Govind Karjol, a Yediyurappa loyalist from Bagalkot district, in Chitradurga.

Speaking to media persons at his residence on Thursday, Chandrappa said that his son was a strong contender for the Chitradurga seat and was confident of winning by a huge margin.

"Till yesterday (Wednesday) afternoon, my son was to get the ticket. It was at this point that Yediyurappa intervened and threatened the party high command that if Karjol is not given the ticket, he will not campaign," Chandrappa alleged.

Further attacking Yediyurappa, Chandrappa said, "I had asked for a ticket for my son in 2019 as well. Then, Yediyurappa assured me that he would back Raghuchandan's candidacy in 2024. Even BJP national general secretary (organisation) BL Santosh promised a ticket to Raghuchandan in 2024. Karjol had asked my son to campaign aggressively in Chitradurga and make the segment his base. Those who came to survey also said Raghu has a good chance of winning the SC Reserve constituency. My son's name was finalised at the CEC meeting. However, it was Yediyurappa who was instrumental in my son missing the ticket," he alleged.

When Yediyurappa floated KJP in 2013, I was the first man to back him and resigned from my MLA's post six months before the completion of my term. In 2008, when the BJP won 110 seats, it was the Bhovi community that supported Yediyurappa to become the CM. Shivaraj Tangadagi, Venkataramanappa, and Gulihatti D Shekar supported Yediyurappa and made him the CM, but Yediyurappa deceived all three and threw them out of the cabinet. But I still supported Yediyurappa," he added.

He said injustice has been meted out to him, his son, and the Bhovi community. "I was not even made a minister in the Bommai Cabinet. I strongly believe in PM Modi, but I will fight against the injustice caused to my son and me," he added.

He also said that his supporters will convene a meeting at Holalkere on Friday.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH MODI: KARJOL

Bengaluru: A day after he was declared the BJP candidate for Chitradurga Lok Sabha constituency, former deputy chief minister Govind Karjol said this has given him the opportunity to work under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership. Speaking to reporters on Thursday, Karjol said Modi has been in constitutional posts for the last 23 years and he has been a spotless leader. "I am happy to get this opportunity to work under his leadership. Working as Lok Sabha member during Modi's regime is a golden opportunity," he said. Karjol said they will seek votes from people on the strength of Modi's works and those done during BS Yediyurappa's and Basavaraj Bommai's tenure. "We are happy that the JDS has joined hands with us," he added.

NO GUARANTEE FOR CONGRESS GUARANTEES, SAYS BJP ELECTION IN-CHARGE

RAMU PATIL @Bengaluru

EVEN as the BJP is facing dissent in several Lok Sabha segments, **BJP National General Secretary in-charge of Karnataka Dr Radha Mohan Das Agrawal** says there is no serious internal issue and they are confident of winning all 28 seats. Excerpts.

What is your assessment of the situation?
We are going to win all 28 seats. They (Congress) already lost in Bengaluru Rural. After Dr CN Manjunath's entry, the fight is between corrupt versus honest. He has given his entire life to the poor and doesn't have money to contest elections. On the other hand, they have only money. I will not talk about where they got it as people are aware of it. Dr Manjunath's personality is like Prime Minister Narendra Modi's personality as both are working honestly. We respected his honesty and spirit of service.

What gives you the confidence to say BJP-JDS will win all 28 seats?
I have been here since the last one-and-half months and toured all over the state. I was an MLA for 20 years and know how to understand the pulse of people. Abrogation of Article 370 and finding a solution to the Kashmir problem; enhanced respect for Indians living abroad and people here feel proud when they see Ram temple in Ayodhya as Karnataka had a special role in Lord Rama's victory over Lanka as Kishkindha forest is here. Will people tolerate it if the "Pakistan Zindabad" slogan was raised in Vidhana Soudha? Would they like it if a shopkeeper playing "Hanuman Chalisa" was assaulted? You want to impose a 10 % tax on temples. Even Aurangzeb had not imposed so much tax in 'Jizya kar' which was 2.5 % tax. There was an explosion in Bengaluru after Congress government came to power. People of the state are watching all the developments and they will give a befitting political treatment to Congress.

Congress says they have implemented the guarantee schemes...
People know there is no guarantee for the Congress guarantees. What happens after the Lok Sabha elections will be worth watching. You give guarantees, we do not oppose it. But you will not be able to give it for

long. You will give this lollipop till the Lok Sabha polls, and after that, it will not work for a long time. In the last 10 years, the Government of India implemented many welfare programmes.

Congress says the Centre is not cooperating with the state and there is a disparity in tax devolution.
Compared to 10 years of UPA government, during 10 years of NDA government, per capita devolution of funds is 247% more, per capita devolution to developmental projects is 152% more, per capita allocation to the Railways 333 % more, and per capita welfare schemes was 140 % more. Telling lies is Congress's old habit.

You had recently stated that after LS polls, there is no guarantee about the Congress government...
There are two reasons for it. Congress has forcibly pushed eight to nine ministers into elections. None of them want to contest polls. Even Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, who was MLA for nine terms and MP for two terms is not contesting from Kalaburagi as he knows that he will lose the elections. Ministers were asked to field their children or they will be removed from the cabinet. They will all lose elections and Siddaramaiah will drop them from the ministry. The internal fight will start in Congress.

If that happens, what will be the BJP's stand?
BJP will just sit and watch the developments. If they can run the government, let them do so. We are not in a hurry. We will defeat them in the assembly polls after four years, before the next Lok Sabha polls.

What about BJP's internal issues in several constituencies after candidates were announced?
Everyone knows we will win all 28 seats so it is natural for the BJP leaders to have a desire to contest the elections. I do not see any serious internal issues in any part of the state.

Will you convince senior BJP leader KS Eshwarappa?
I do not think there is any need to convince him. We need to worry if he files a nomination and does not withdraw it. Even now he says he is working for Modiji. He is a senior member of our family. We don't have to convince him, he will be convinced on his own.

Congress accuses the Centre of misusing agencies. How do you respond?
Did we ask the Congress leaders to be corrupt? All are equal before the law. Agencies are doing their work. It is not correct to politicize the agencies.

There can't be a bigger boon for BJP than Rahul Gandhi. He spends equal amount of energy in ensuring BJP's victory as much as we do. Bharat Jodo Yatra passed through MP, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan. They lost all three.

Anurag Thakur, Union minister

ELECTION DEPOSIT

According to Section 34 1(a) of the Representation of People Act, 1951, a candidate who files for nomination to enter the electoral fray is mandated to deposit a stipulated amount. The mandate aims to deter non-serious, 'fringe' candidates from filing nominations and ensure only those with legitimate intent and adequate support base enter the race.

AMOUNT TO BE DEPOSITED

₹25,000
For parliamentary elections

₹10,000
For assembly elections

₹15,000
For presidential and vice-presidential elections

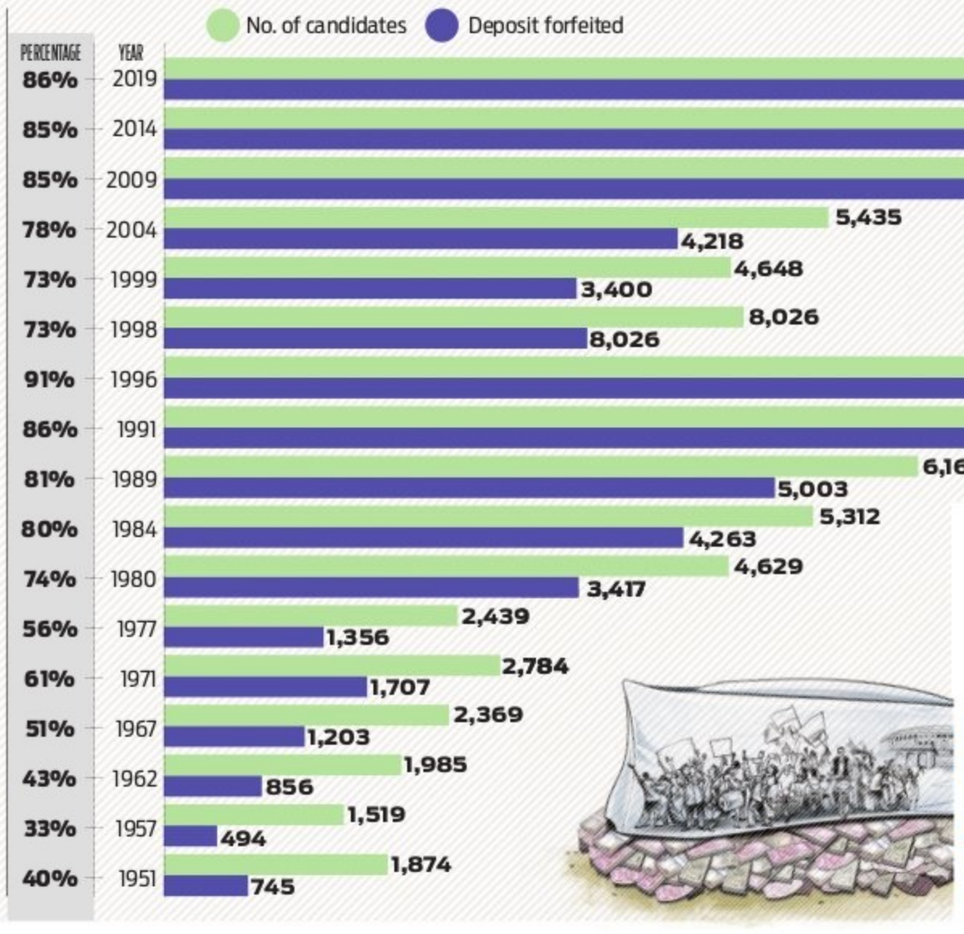
- For SC/ST candidates, the deposits for general and assembly elections are 50% less, but for presidential polls, the amount remains the same
- The election deposit for the first parliamentary election in 1951 was ₹500, (₹100 for assembly polls)
- In 2009, the then government doubled the election deposit from ₹12,500 to ₹25,000 and for assembly elections from ₹5,000 to ₹10,000

COUNTING DEPOSITS LOST

No of candidates who failed to secure 1/6th of votes on upswing over the years

HOW MANY LOST DEPOSITS SO FAR?

In the political warfare, keeping one's deposit is a matter of pride for candidates, while losing it is considered humiliating. Despite this, a total of 71,246 out of the 91,160 candidates who contested general elections since 1951 have lost their deposits, according to data from Election Commission of India. This means 78% of candidates failed to keep their money.



FORFEITURE

If a candidate fails to score one-sixth or 16.66% of valid votes polled in his/her constituency, the election deposit will be forfeited and redirected to the treasury. The amount will not be forfeited if:

- The candidate wins the election
- The candidate wins more than one-sixth of valid votes polled
- The nomination is withdrawn before the stipulated date
- The candidate passes away

FROM THE ARCHIVES

- A record number of forfeitures happened in 1996, when 12,688 out of the 13,952 candidates, or 91% of those who fought the election, lost deposits. The year saw highest number of people entering the election fray as well
- The lowest was during the second Lok Sabha election in 1957, when only 494 out of 1,519 candidates, or 33%, lost the deposit
- In the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, deposits of 670 out of 1,454 candidates fielded by national parties were forfeited. Out of the 3,443 Independent candidates who tried their luck, 3,431 candidates lost their money

'Emotional' Varun pens letter to people of Pilibhit

Denied LS ticket, he will campaign for mother Maneka in Sultanpur

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

OVER a week after the BJP denied him the ticket for the Pilibhit Lok Sabha seat, Varun Gandhi on Thursday wrote an open letter to the people of Pilibhit Lok Sabha constituency, asserting that his bonding with them will continue.

"If not as an MP, then certainly at least as a son, my relationship with the people of Pilibhit remains till the last breath of mine," he wrote in an emotional letter.

Varun Gandhi has been critical of the policies of the Modi government on social media even after being a party MP. He shared his letter on 'X.' "Even though I am not able to contest elections, I will continue to serve the people of Pilibhit till last breath," he wrote.

Recalling how Pilibhit helped him in every walk of life, he wrote "Today when I am writing this letter, countless memories have made me emotional. I remember that a three-year –old child who came to Pilibhit for the first time in 1983 holding fingers of his mother. Little did he know that one day this land would become his workplace and the people here would become his family".

He said he considered himself fortunate for having had the opportunity to serve the people of Pilibhit for years. "The ideals, simplicity and kindness that I got from Pilibhit contributed greatly to my upbringing and development," he wrote. He told the people of Pilibhit that his tenure as an MP was ending soon. "But my bonding with them will never end."

If not as an MP, then certainly at least as a son, my relationship with the people of Pilibhit remains till the last breath of mine

Varun Gandhi, BJP leader

However, Varun dropped enough hints about his 'disgruntlement' and 'pain' after having denied the party ticket.

"I have always raised my voice for your interest with all my might. My term as an MP could be ending but my relationship with Pilibhit can't till my last breath."

He also assured the people that not as an MP but as a "son of Pilibhit", his doors will remain always open to them. "I came into politics to raise the voice of the common man and today, I seek your blessings to continue doing this work. Even if I have to pay any cost for this," he said.

Speculation was rife that he would be in the fray from the same seat on either the Samajwadi Party ticket or Congress. But sources said that Varun may accompany her mother Maneka Gandhi to her Sultanpur constituency in UP.

This would be the first time that the mother-son duo would not be in the fray. However, Varun is likely to campaign for his mother without resigning from the BJP till at least LS polls.

Pilibhit has been a political turf of the Varun family for a long time. The constituency is located in the Terai belt bordering Nepal in UP and is now being contested by Jitin Prasada.

The Pilibhit LS seat has remained with Maneka Gandhi or Varun since 1996 with the mother winning the seat on a Janata Dal ticket in 1989. However, she was defeated 1991.

Varun Gandhi was elected from this seat in 2009 and 2019 as a BJP candidate.

BJP sources attributed the denial of the party ticket to his critical stand against the government's policies. At times, he sounded as if he was with the Opposition on issues such as unemployment.

Nomination for Phase 2 begins

LS ELECTION-PHASE 2

Parliamentary seats covered: **88 + 1 part of Manipur**

STATES/UTs COVERED: 12

ASSAM • BIHAR • CHHATTISGARH • JAMMU & KASHMIR • KARNATAKA • KERALA • MAHARASHTRA • MADHYA PRADESH • RAJASTHAN • TRIPURA • UTTAR PRADESH • WEST BENGAL

And one part (13 assembly constituencies) of Outer Manipur seat

NOMINATION FILING: MARCH 28 (THURSDAY)

LAST DATE FOR NOMINATION FILING: **APRIL 4 (THURSDAY)**

SCRUTINY OF NOMINATIONS: **APRIL 5 (FRIDAY)**

LAST DATE FOR WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATURES: **APRIL 8 (MONDAY)**

DATE OF POLL: **APRIL 26 (FRIDAY)**

DATE OF COUNTING: **JUNE 4 (TUESDAY)**

Akhilesh's problem of plenty over ticket distribution in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE Samajwadi Party is grappling with a piquant situation over ticket distribution changing its candidates repeatedly leading to confusion and chaos which was witnessed in Moradabad and Rampur on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the party, leading the INDI Alliance in the state, changed its Gautam Budh Nagar candidate yet again on Thursday.

In a flip flop, the SP had announced the name of Dr Mahendra Nagar as party candidate from Gautam Budh Nagar initially. However, his candidature was rejected by the party cadre calling him an outsider. Dr Nagar had joined the Samajwadi Party, leaving Congress just two years ago.

Succumbing to the pressure of Gautam Budh Nagar leaders, the SP leadership struck down the ticket of Dr Nagar and gave it to a youth leader Rahul Awana. As per the SP insiders, Awana's ticket irked the partymen further and he was replaced again by Dr Nagar.

Meanwhile, the goof-up that ended up with double candidates — Dr ST Hasan and Ruchi Veera in Moradabad and Asim Raja and Maulana Mohibullah Nadwi in Rampur — filing nomination on Wednesday left the party red-faced.

However, Hasan, the sitting SP MP from Moradabad attributed it to some compulsion of the SP chief that his candidature was cancelled at the last moment leading to huge embarrassment.

ST Hasan

Ruchi Veera

Hasan, who had filed his papers on Tuesday, said that neither would he campaign for the party in Moradabad nor would he contest the polls.

"In Rampur, as the party could not announce a candidate suggested by Azam Khan, Ruchi Veera has been made the candidate from Moradabad at his behest," claimed the outgoing SP MP.

Hasan has not officially withdrawn his nomination papers. The last date for withdrawal of nomination is March 30. In 2014, Hasan was defeated from Moradabad as SP candidate by Kunwar Sarvesh Kumar Singh of BJP. However, in 2019, he won the Moradabad seat by defeating BJP's Kunwar Sarvesh Kumar Singh by 97,878 votes.

Similarly, in Rampur, the election office rejected candidature of Asim Raja, a close aide of jailed SP leader Azam Khan, as SP's nominee from Rampur seat on technical grounds on Thursday. The SP later clarified that Maulana Mohibullah Nadwi from Rampur and Ruchi Veera from Moradabad were its authorised candidates.

HASAN YET TO WITHDRAW NOMINATION

Samajwadi Party's Moradabad MP ST Hasan, who filed his nomination from the seat despite being denied the ticket by the party, on Thursday said he will not contest the Lok Sabha polls. However, he has not officially withdrawn his nomination papers. The last date for withdrawal of nomination is March 30. Confusion prevailed on Wednesday after two candidates each in Rampur and Moradabad seats claimed to be SP's nominees.

FACEOFF

L-G orders probe

Delh Lieutenant Governor V K Saxena has sought a detailed investigation report from Delhi Police commissioner Sanjay Arora in connection with an allegedly derogatory social media post made by Congress leader Supriya Shrinate against actor-turned-politician Kangana Ranaut, Raj Niwas officials said on Thursday.

A controversial comment was posted on social media platforms from Shrinate's accounts against Ranaut, who has been fielded by the ruling BJP as its candidate from Mandi in Himachal Pradesh.

On party's command

Days after announcing her decision to not seek re-election from the Mandi Lok Sabha constituency, Himachal Pradesh Congress president Pratibha Singh on Thursday said if the party's central leadership wanted her to contest from the seat, she would follow their directions. "If the central leadership of the Congress asks me to contest the Lok Sabha elections from Mandi seat, I will follow their directions. I have always followed what the high command said and now too I will do what they say," she said.

Pratibha vs Kangana duel on Mandi poll stage likely

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

HIMACHAL Pradesh Congress president Pratibha Singh may again be fielded from the Mandi Lok Sabha constituency where the BJP has named Kangana Ranaut as its candidate, according to party leaders.

The coordination committee has shortlisted Pratibha Singh, the incumbent Mandi MP, for the seat, party sources said, though she had earlier expressed her unwillingness to contest Lok Sabha polls.

The Congress is likely to pit Una MLA Satpal Raizada against BJP MP and Union Sports Minister Anurag Thakur on the Hamirpur seat.

Sources said that the first meeting of the coordination committee of the Congress was held in Chandigarh on Wednesday in which AICC in-charge of Himachal Rajeev Shukla, Pratibha Singh and CM Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu were present. A consensus was reached on the candidature of Pratibha and Raizada, the sources said.

The second meeting of the committee will be held in Delhi on April 5 or 6. After that, central election committee of the Congress will take the final decision and the party will announce all the candidates before April 10, leaders familiar with the matter said.

It is learnt that the Congress might field some BJP rebels in the assembly bypolls to be held for six seats. The BJP has fielded the six Congress rebels, who joined the BJP, for the bypolls.

According to sources, the Congress is yet to shortlist candidates for Shimla and Kangra seats. The names of Asha Kumari and Sanjeev Chuahan are doing the rounds for Kangra. Amit Nanda, Vinod Sultanpuri and Dayal Pyari are in the party panel for Shimla.

MP strategy: Cong plays Yadav card, pits ex-BJP leader against Scindia in Guna

Ensure 370 votes: Scindia

Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, addressing a gathering of the Rawat community on Thursday, asked people to ensure the BJP gets 370 votes extra in every booth than that in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls, so that Narendra Modi is elected as prime minister for a third term.

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

SEEKING to capitalise on potential discontent among the Yadav caste following the BJP's refusal to grant a ticket to its incumbent MP KP Yadav, the opposition Congress has strategically deployed Rao Yadvendra Singh Yadav to contest against Union minister Jyotiraditya Scindia in the Guna seat of Madhya Pradesh.

The Congress' eighth list for the Lok Sabha polls includes three candidates for MP. Alongside Rao Yadvendra Singh Yadav, Pratap Bhanu Sharma will face former CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan in Vidisha, and Tarvar Lodhi will contest Damoh.

Rao Yadvendra Singh Yadav comes from a prominent BJP family in the Gwalior-Chambal region. His father, Late Rao Deshraj Singh Yadav, had previously won the Mungaoli seat thrice for the BJP. Despite his family's historical ties with the BJP, Yadvendra chose to join the Congress in 2023 due to Scindia family's increasing influence within the BJP ranks.

Addressing a Yadav caste gathering in Chanderi assembly segment, MP Chief Minister Dr Mohan Yadav said, "This election in Guna isn't Scindia's election; it's my own and the entire Yadav brothers' election. I thank PM Modi and the BJP top brass for elevating an ordinary worker like me to the position of MP's CM, like another Yadav politician, Babulal Gaur, was made CM years ago."

The Congress's decision to nominate Yadvendra, a Yadav candidate, is strategic, given the substantial Yadav population in several key assembly segments of the Guna constituency. By fielding him against Scindia, the party aims to replicate the surprising victory of KP Yadav in the 2019 polls.

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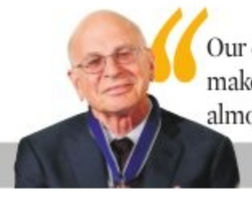

"Our comforting conviction that the world makes sense rests on a secure foundation: our almost unlimited ability to ignore our ignorance" — Daniel Kahneman

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— Ramnath Goenka

EC MUST CURB MONEY POWER IN ELECTIONS, ONUS ON VOTERS TOO

UNION Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman is not contesting the Lok Sabha polls citing financial constraints. Truth be told, she is stating the obvious—elections have become far costlier over the decades. We are now at a juncture where it is perhaps impossible for a leader with even a decent income to enter the electoral fray. This is especially so in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. In the outgoing Andhra Pradesh assembly, nine out of every 10 legislators are crorepatis. Read this number with the share of legislators having criminal cases against them—about half—and it is clear that money and muscle power are at play. There is no reason to believe that the next assembly would be any different. In Telangana, 96 percent of the current assembly members are crorepatis and 82 percent have cases against them.

We can safely infer that politics in the country has become an exclusive preserve of the rich, though they come from different backgrounds—mostly political dynasties, the corporate and business world, and real estate. It is a wonder people make much of political rhetoric but fail to give importance to the money bags. In the pre-independence era, and thereafter for a few decades, politics was considered a service. It was the norm for leaders to sacrifice their lives, not to speak of their wealth, for the country. The system has since been usurped as politics has come to be seen as a sure-shot way to power and money.

We have laws restricting campaign finance. The upper expenditure limit for a Lok Sabha candidate is ₹95 lakh; for assembly, it is ₹40 lakh. In practice, the figure often shoots up to ₹100 crore and ₹50 crore, respectively, depending on the constituency. As for the parties themselves, there is no limit. The Law Commission had in the late 1990s recommended state funding of elections and the Election Commission had recommended a cap. The problem is that lawmakers themselves are the deciders and are unlikely to cede ground. The Election Commission, despite good intentions, has rarely penalised a candidate strictly for excessive expenditure. Ideally, the institution must be empowered to track expenditures and disqualify candidates. The onus is also on voters to make money power redundant and reject those who seek to bribe them. Until then, our democracy will continue to be compromised.

FOCUS ON KATE'S DISEASE, NOT CONSPIRACY THEORY

KATE, the Princess of Wales, will win her medical battle, but it will leave scars. Her house is under attack. Her credibility as a senior royal has taken a hit. The period of healing she may have allowed herself, considering that she is recovering from a serious surgery, will have to be reduced, given the world's obsession with her showing up. Royals must be seen to be believed; Queen Elizabeth II lived by it. Since the so-called #Kategate, cancer patient Kate Middleton—let us drop the royal title for the time being and just see her for who she is at the moment—might not want to.

However, last Friday she went the extra mile by putting out a video from the grounds of Windsor Castle outing herself as a cancer patient, to be a symbol of hope to the cancer community and the ailing of the world. The setting was to the point: in the background were daffodils, long associated with cancer patients, and more importantly survivors. This time, she was not surrounded by her family, choosing to take full responsibility in public view, sacrificing family time before Easter. The world's banal and cruel curiosity, however, has seen no let-up. Despite the collective gasp at that first announcement, the response to the video has ranged between calling the video "an AI-enabled deepfake" and blaming Russian and Chinese hands behind the troll-storm. The intimate plight of a young mother of three having to deal with an unprecedented crisis, of a young husband who may be anxious about the health of the most important woman in his life, seems to have been lost in the surround sound.

Cancer has hit key Windsor royals in quick succession—Sarah Ferguson, King Charles III and now Kate Middleton. That the discovery and announcement of her cancer has not re-focused world attention on the disease is a missed opportunity—especially for the Windsor family, given that it also patronises several cancer charities. Given their track record, the protocol and mechanism for conveying bad news to the public should have been a well-oiled machinery by now. An ailing royal, at the end of day, should evoke empathy. Middleton deserves this for having consistently had the family's back. Social media conspiracy theorists should pause their skulduggery and newspapers their spins—right now.

QUICK TAKE

AVOID HIMALAYAN BLUNDERS

THE latest State of India's Environment report highlights population pressure as a major factor increasing the vulnerability of our Himalayan regions. Almost half the natural disasters in the country recorded in the decade to 2022 happened along this fragile arc that affects our northern watershed and weather. Only half of the 14 hill cities surveyed by the Centre for Science and Environment had, by February, prepared plans to address the population surge. Though urban design is the domain of local authorities, in this case it calls for coordination—so that cities can learn from each others' experiences and ensure best practices.

The two countries' ties are based on China's hegemonic ambitions and Pakistan's economic needs. The recent attacks on its strategic interests are unlikely to deter Beijing

CHINA & PAKISTAN LOCKED IN EMBRACE THEY CAN'T QUIT

PINAK RANJAN CHAKRAVARTHY

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SOURAV ROY

PAKISTAN'S new government has hardly had the time to settle down before facing challenges on a number of fronts—a polycrisis of sorts. Last week, militants attacked the Turbat naval base and killed a soldier; all the five militants were killed. Freedom fighters from the Baloch Liberation Army (BLA) claimed responsibility for the attack, the second one on a military facility in a week. The BLA had earlier attacked Gwadar, the port in Balochistan being developed by China with an adjacent industrial zone—the 'jewel in the crown' of the infrastructure projects China is funding as part of its $62-billion investment in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). Two Pakistani soldiers and eight BLA fighters were killed.

The China connection in both these incidents is evident—Turbat hosts the Chinese drones used to target Baloch freedom fighters and Gwadar, where China has invested in mineral extraction, is seen as exploitation of the province.

More recently, some militants rammed an explosive-laded vehicle into a convoy ferrying Chinese engineers near the town of Besham in Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province, killing five. The engineers were working on the Dasu dam, which has run into substantial local opposition. No one claimed responsibility for this attack.

Chinese engineers have earlier been attacked in various parts of Pakistan. In 2021, nine Chinese were killed in a bus bombing in Dasu. In November 2018, the BLA claimed an attack on the Chinese consulate in Karachi, killing four in a hotel used by Chinese nationals. In June 2020, the BLA claimed responsibility for another attack on the Karachi Stock Exchange, where Chinese companies have heavily invested.

These attacks angered China. Its foreign ministry asked Pakistan to "thoroughly investigate the incident as soon as possible, hunt down the perpetrators and bring them to justice". Pakistan's President and PM condemned the attacks and asserted that nothing can disturb the bilateral ties. Both sides have reiterated their 'iron brother' bond. China's foreign ministry condemned terrorism without reflecting on the fact that it routinely blocks attempts at the UN to designate Pakistani terrorists.

Pakistan's military stated that the sensitive projects are being targeted "as a conscious effort to retard our progress and sow discord between Pakistan and its strategic allies, most notably China". It also blamed "foreign elements", a euphemism that includes Afghanistan and India.

CPEC is a crucial pillar of China's BRI. So the mounting security challenges are unlikely to deter it from exiting. China's strategic interest is to access the Arabian Sea through CPEC and Gwadar, with an added dimension of using Gwadar as a military logistics base. China is trying a similar model, albeit on a smaller scale, in the Maldives—setting up bases to monitor the Indian Ocean. It has partially succeeded in Sri Lanka, with the long-term lease of Hambantota port.

The China-Pakistan strategic convergence is based on China's hegemonic ambitions in Asia, which requires it to contain India. Pakistan is a valuable proxy for this, as also for minerals and sea access. For Pakistan, India is the foremost threat. Hence, the enemy's enemy becomes a friend. Pakistan also needs investment in energy and infrastructure, for which China's deep pockets can help. China knows it may never recover its investments and Pakistan knows it is unlikely to be able to pay back. Hence, the two are locked in an embrace both cannot quit.

The recent attacks will likely sour the mood during PM Shahbaz Sharif's upcoming visit to Beijing. It was under former PM Nawaz Sharif that the CPEC became a reality during 2013-2017. Pakistan has few options, since its earlier patrons have not loosened their purse strings to bail out its economy. Pakistan's economy is dependent on IMF doles, a tap that the US can turn off, constituting a significant leverage that the American administration uses. The other factor is the deep state—the Pakistan army is deeply invested in buying Chinese military hardware, co-producing certain items, and managing CPEC projects with their embedded opportunities for personal aggrandisement.

During Imran Khan's tenure as PM, the bilateral ties were soured by Imran's questioning of the CPEC's ways of operating. This irritated China and the army. Before the 2018 election, Imran's party had called for scrutinising and renegotiating the terms of the CPEC loans. A popular perception in Pakistan is that the CPEC does not help common people and benefits only the elite. The reality that the army sets the foreign policy agenda and economic priorities makes Pakistan's civilian leaders fall in line or suffer the consequences, like Nawaz earlier and Imran later.

The China connection helps Pakistan leverage its ties with the US, too. Pakistan's foreign minister recently stated his country was seriously considering reopening direct trade ties with India, which Pakistan suspended unilaterally in 2019 following the abrogation of Jammu and Kashmir's special status. The FM is unlikely to have made this statement without clearance from the deep-state minders. Pakistan may expect some *quid pro quo* from India, but concessions will not be on the menu in an election season. The first step Pakistan should consider is to restore diplomatic ties at the high commissioners' level.

But there seems to be a growing constituency in Pakistan for restoring direct trade with India for its own economic interest. India-Pakistan trade did not stop in 2019, but got diverted via Dubai and Singapore, adding significant transportation costs. No concrete move has been made yet, and Pakistan may just be testing the waters and ward off pressure from international donors.

This prospective move would hit an immovable wall if Pakistan puts any prior condition such as restoration of Article 370 on the table. India will surely demand a terror-free region. The ceasefire along the LoC was renewed in 2021, but period infiltration has not stopped. PM Narendra Modi has congratulated Sharif via social media on becoming PM, which the latter acknowledged.

The inevitable question is how long Sharif's unwieldy coalition will last. Meanwhile, an old dilemma persists—whom to talk to in Pakistan? I recall an American diplomat telling me, "When we want anything done in Pakistan, we talk to the army." India has tried this option unsuccessfully. Hence, there are hardly any new options for an election-bound India.

(Views are personal)

ENVIRONMENTAL FEDERALISM CRUCIAL FOR CLIMATE ACTION

AMAR PATNAIK

Advocate, former CAG bureaucrat and member of Rajya Sabha from Odisha

THE all-pervasive global dialogue surrounding climate change has spurred nations to develop their national action plans to mitigate the impact. Two crucial realities need to be recognised within this discourse. First, countries in the Global South encounter disproportionately greater challenges from climate change. Second, India has emerged as a torch-bearer in global climate justice debates, leading the way in formulating national action plans. However, on the domestic front, our quasi-federal climate policy structure harbours internal contradictions, where states shoulder the responsibility of implementing most targets amid constraints posed by limited resources and shrinking space in environmental policymaking.

India's environmental stewardship can be traced from its legislations and judicial journey of embracing environmental constitutionalism. This encompasses both the rights and duties of the state and individuals. Initially, the Constitution did not explicitly address environmental governance.

However, the 42nd constitutional amendment in 1976 altered the jurisdiction over forests and wildlife, transferring them to the Concurrent List. The 73rd amendment assigned panchayats the responsibility for environmental protection and conservation. Subsequent legislations have further solidified this framework. However, a consistent trend across these developments has been a shift towards centralisation in legislative jurisdiction over environmental laws, while mandating greater decentralisation to states in implementation.

Climate change issues manifest more prominently at regional level compared to their aggregate impact nationally. While the legislative frameworks rightfully allocate greater responsibilities to the lower tiers of government, the challenge has been their relative marginalisation in resource access and decision-making processes. Most state functions and powers concerning natural resources require central approval, relegating states to mere implementation roles. These functions include developing forest management plans, diverting forest land, and utilising compensatory afforestation funds through the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority.

Recent changes in regulations of the mining sector have reignited the debate on resource federalism. This trend is highlighted by the diminished autonomy of state governments in making decisions related to mining leases while vesting increased authority to the Centre over the utilisation of funds of the District Mineral Funds. The 2020 draft notification of the Environmental Impact Assessment authorised the Centre to appoint members of the State Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), relegating the state governments to a mere recommending role. Consequently, as of February 2024, SEIAA appointments have been stuck for over three months due to the Centre's rejection of state-recommended names. Some State Action Plans for Climate Change (SAPCCs), developed in alignment with national strategies, are formulated without adequate local community engagement, resulting in a lack of institutionalisation, defined targets, and sufficient financial investment.

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There must be a greater involvement of states in crafting climate policies addressing the bottom-up nature of the crisis. They shoulder the responsibility of implementing most climate targets, but are constrained by limited resources and a shrinking policy space

This brings us to the principal bone of contention that persists in the realm of fiscal federalism in India. The Centre's fiscal prowess reinforces its structural dominance with states tasked with implementation, while a major chunk of the tax revenue is collected by the Centre. The erosion of state tax autonomy subsequent to the GST reforms has coincided with, rather than being offset by, a rise in the proportion of non-shareable revenue (surcharges and cesses) accruing to the Centre.

India's National Environment Policy, 2006, talks of the principle of decentralisation, which advocates "...ceding or transfer of power from a Central authority to state or local authorities, in order to empower public authorities having jurisdiction at the spatial level at which particular environmental issues are salient, to address these issues". To enhance environmental governance, there is a pressing need for greater involvement of states in crafting comprehensive climate policies given the bottom-up nature of the crisis.

As an immediate measure, all state governments must reform their SAPCCs and policies along with formulating dedicated climate budgets akin to the initiative taken by the Odisha government. A greater involvement of the local government, and hence the local communities like farmers and tribals, shall promote more relevant and efficient environmental policymaking tailored to each state's unique needs.

Lastly, it is imperative to bolster fiscal federalism for environmental federalism to yield positive and sustainable outcomes. While the 15th Finance Commission's recommendation to allocate a fixed percentage of the divisible central tax pool for ecology and forests is a step in the right direction, it is insufficient. Intergovernmental transfers that recognise environmental improvements can incentivise states and local bodies further.

Arguments advanced by developing nations advocate for common but differentiated responsibilities and mobilising the means of implementation, that is, finance and technology. These principles should also guide national-level efforts to ensure climate equity and justice for states positioned differently. A nuanced delegation of powers and resources to state governments would enhance India's effectiveness in combating climate change.

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Disparaging narrative

Ref: *A basic test of legitimacy for elections 2024* (Mar 28). The Election Commission's functioning has been by and large fair. Even the post-Emergency election was comparatively fair. We are making a mountain out of a molehill. We should not be carried away by western narratives, which will not miss any opportunity to disparage India.
Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Hero worship

The issue of idolatry, raised by B R Ambedkar, is important. We have always supported idolatry, preferring one hero in an era. In 1939, even when Subhash Bose was elected Congress president by defeating Gandhi's candidate Pattabhi Sitaramayya, he had to resign because of opposition from Gandhian supporters. After independence, the heroes were Jawaharlal Nehru, Sardar Patel, Indira Gandhi and now Narendra Modi.
Prayant Praved, email

Ceasefire now

Ref: *Gaza is a crisis of humanity, not just institutional failure* (Mar 28). It is for the first time that the UNSC could demand a ceasefire in Gaza for the Ramzan period. Since the whole world is against Israel now, Netanyahu should listen and agree to a ceasefire, and Hamas should release all hostages.
K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

Shared spoils

Ref: *What the new expenditure survey says about poverty* (Mar 28). The author has rightly stated that India's quest for emerging as the third largest economy in the world will be meaningless if the benefits are not shared by all. All-out efforts should be made by the government in this regard.
N A Joseph, Ettumanoor

Poverty status

The article gives us a vivid picture of the poverty status in UP and Rajasthan. During my recent trip to UP, I found that basic needs such as electricity, water and education are not to the expected levels. Self-employment schemes with skill development programmes have not worked in these places. So many people migrate to the southern states for work.
V K S Krishnan, Kumbakonam

Internal affair

It is rather surprising to know that Germany and the US have expressed concerns about the legal process initiated against Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal. In what way are these countries connected to the issue? Is it not interference in another country's internal affairs?
K S Aswathanarayana, Bengaluru

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India Employment Report 2024 is not only a document of the failure of the Modi govt on employment but a seal of approval on the employment policy of the Congress.

Prashant Bhushan @pbhushan1
Govt's lawyer Salve tried hard to stop expose bribery details of Electoral Bonds. How many of these donors are Salve's clients?

Akhilesh Yadav @yadavakhilesh
Agniveer is a compromise made by BJP with the security of the country. The BJP which threatens the country's borders is harmful for the country.

Swami Smaranananda a pioneer of India's spiritual consciousness

NARENDRA MODI
Prime Minister

AMIDST the hustle and bustle of the grand festival of Lok Sabha elections, the news of the demise of Srimat Swami Smaranananda Ji Maharaj brought my mind to a standstill for a few moments. Srimat Swami Smaranananda Ji Maharaj was a pioneer of India's spiritual consciousness and his demise is like a personal loss. A few years ago, the demise of Swami Atmasthananda Ji and now the departure of Swami Smaranananda Ji on his eternal journey has left many people bereaved. My heart, like that of crores of devotees, saints and followers of Ramakrishna Math and Mission, is deeply saddened.

During my visit to Kolkata earlier this month, I had gone to the hospital to enquire about Swami Smaranananda Ji's health. Just like Swami Atmasthananda Ji, Swami Smaranananda Ji too dedicated his entire life for spreading the ideas of Acharya Ramakrishna Paramahamsa, Mata Sharada Devi and Swami Vivekananda across the world. While writing this article, the memories of meetings and conversations with him are getting refreshed in my mind.

In January 2020, during my stay at Belur Math, I meditated in the room of Swami Vivekananda. During that visit, I had a long conversation about Swami Atmasthananda Ji with Swami Smaranananda Ji.

It is widely known that I had a close relationship with Ramakrishna Mission and Belur Math. As a seeker of spirituality, I have met different saints and mahatmas and been to many places over the period of more than five decades. Even in Ramakrishna Math, I got to know about the saints who dedicated their lives to spirituality, among whom personalities like Swami Atmasthananda Ji and Swami Smaranananda Ji were prominent. Their sacred thoughts and knowledge provided contentment to my mind. In the most important period of my life, such saints taught me the true principle of Jan Seva hi Prabhu Seva.

AMONG HIS MANY INSPIRING TRAITS, ONE THING THAT IMPRESSED ME THE MOST WAS SWAMI ATMASTHANANDA JI'S LOVE AND RESPECT FOR EVERY CULTURE AND EVERY TRADITION. THE REASON FOR THIS WAS THAT HE USED TO TRAVEL CONTINUOUSLY AND HAD SPENT A LONG TIME IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF INDIA. HE LEARNED TO SPEAK GUJARATI WHILE LIVING IN GUJARAT. HE USED TO EVEN SPEAK WITH ME IN THE LANGUAGE AND I LOVED LISTENING TO HIS GUJARATI!

The lives of Swami Atmasthananda Ji and Swami Smaranananda Ji are an indelible example of the motto of Ramakrishna Mission 'Atmano Mokshaartham Jagaddhitaaya Cha'.

We all are inspired by the work being done by Ramakrishna Mission for the promotion of education and rural development. Ramakrishna Mission is working on India's spiritual enlightenment, educational empowerment and humanitarian service. In 1978, when the disastrous flood struck Bengal, Ramakrishna Mission won the hearts of everyone with its selfless service. I remember, when an earthquake ravaged Kutch in 2001, Swami Atmasthananda Ji was among the first people to call me and offer all possible assistance for disaster management on behalf of the Ramakrishna Mission. Under his direction, Ramakrishna Mission helped many people who were affected by the earthquake.

Over the past years, while holding various positions, Swami Atmasthananda Ji and Swami Smaranananda Ji laid great emphasis on social empowerment. Those who know the lives of these great personalities will definitely remember how serious these saints were towards modern education, skilling and women empowerment.

Among his many inspiring traits, one thing that impressed me the most was Swami Atmasthananda Ji's love and respect for every culture and every tradition. The reason for this was that he used to travel continuously and had spent a long time in different parts of India. He learned to speak Gujarati while living in Gujarat. He used to even speak with me in the language and I loved listening to his Gujarati!

At different points in India's development journey, our motherland has been blessed by many saints and seers like Swami Atmasthananda Ji, Swami Smaranananda Ji who have ignited the spark of societal change. They have motivated us to work with a collective spirit and address all the challenges our society faces. These principles are eternal and will act as our source of strength as we embark on developing a Viksit Bharat during the Amrit Kaal.

Once again, on behalf of the entire nation, I pay homage to such saintly souls. I am confident that all the people associated with the Ramakrishna Mission will further move ahead on the path shown by them.

Om Shanti.

Bullying a vintage Cong culture: PM

Modi attacks Cong after lawyers' letter to CJI alleging pressure on judiciary by 'vested group'

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday attacked the Congress after around 600 lawyers from across the country wrote to Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud alleging that a "vested interest group" is trying to put pressure on the judiciary and defame courts.

"To browbeat, bully others is vintage Congress culture", Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in a post on X, referring to the lawyers' letter to the CJI. Though the letter did not mention a specific party, the PM attacked the Congress.

"Five decades ago itself they had called for a "committed judiciary" – they shamelessly want commitment from others for their selfish interests but desist from any commitment towards the nation," Modi said. "No wonder 140 crore Indians are rejecting them," he said days ahead of Lok Sabha polls, tagging a post on X that carried the letter written by the lawyers to the CJI.

The letter written by the lawyers is titled 'Judiciary Under Threat -- Safeguarding Judiciary From Political and Professional Pressure'. The letter highlighted how "vested interest group" is trying to apply pressure on the Indian judiciary.

More than 600 lawyers, including senior advocate Harish Salve and Bar Council chairperson Manan Kumar Mishra, wrote to the CJI, alleging that a "vested interest group" is trying to put pressure on the judiciary and defame courts, especially in cases of corruption involving politicians. "These tactics are damaging to our courts and threaten our democratic fabric," the lawyers drawn from across the country said in the latter.

"They create false narrative of a supposed 'better past' and 'golden period' of the courts, contrasting it with the happenings in the present," the letter stated, adding, "It is troubling to see some lawyers defend politicians by the day, and then try to influence judges through the media at night."

The letter further said, "It is strange to see politicians accuse someone of corruption and then defend them in the court. If the court decision does not go their way, they quickly criticise the courts inside the court as well as through the media. This tow-faced behaviour is harmful to the respect a common man should have for our legal system."

The Congress hit back at Modi over his statements in reaction to the lawyers' letter, saying the PM's brazenness in orchestrating an attack on the judiciary, in the name of defending it, is the "height of hypocrisy".

Congress general secretary in-charge, communications, Jairam Ramesh said in a post on X, "The PM's brazenness in orchestrating and coordinating an attack on the judiciary, in the name of defending the judiciary, is the height of hypocrisy!"

"The Supreme Court has delivered body blows to him in recent weeks. The Electoral Bonds Scheme is but one example. The Supreme Court declared them to be unconstitutional -- and it is now proved beyond doubt that they were a blatant instrument of fear, blackmail, and intimidation to force companies to donate to the BJP," he said.

Kharge hits back, says institutions being bullied

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

THE Congress on Thursday hit back at Prime Minister Narendra Modi after his criticism of the party over a lawyers' letter to the Chief Justice of India against a "vested interest group", accusing the BJP and the PM of "manipulating democracy".

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge in a post said, "Modi Ji, institution after institution is being 'bullied' by you into submission, so stop pinning the blame on the Congress party, for your own sins".

Kharge said Modi has mastered the art of manipulation. "You have mastered the art of manipulating democracy and hurting the Constitution."

Kharge also reminded the PM as how judges were forced to hold an unprecedented press conference. "One of the judges was nominated by your government to Rajya Sabha. So who wants a 'committed judiciary'? You forget that your party has fielded former HC judge in West Bengal for the current Lok Sabha elections?" he said.

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Poll momentum: BJP finds 'Sita-Ram way' to reach voters

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @New Delhi

PM is expected attend Ram Navami celebrations in Ayodhya on April 17 | FILE PHOTO

THE BJP has sensed a nationwide "electoral momentum" post Ram temple consecration in Ayodhya in its quest to go beyond 370 Lok Sabha seats. The battle cry 'ab ki bar 400 paar' is meant to pump up the adrenalin in it as well as the allies. For it, the party has crafted a strategy contained in the acronym 'SITA-RAM WAY.'

Party sources say in 'SITA-RAM WAY', 'S' stands for services and schemes for development and poverty elimination irrespective of castes and creeds. The 'I' stands for infrastructure developments in which the Modi government has set a benchmark, 'T' is for the toughest actions being taken against corruption, said a party functionary.

The 'R' stands for 'renewed Hindutava plank sweeping across the country following the consecration of Ram temple in Ayodhya amid a boycott of some opposition parties.

The acronym encapsulates various facets of the BJP's electoral strategy formulated and being adopted across the country with Prime Minister Narendra Modi as the party mascot.

'A' stands for the achievements of the Modi government in the last decade. The 'M' is apparently for 'Modi Ki Guarantee' for making the country the world's third-largest economy in the next five years and a 'Viksit-Bharat' by 2047.

"The strategy will enable us to get electoral blessings as it sums up what our government has done in the last 10 years and made a big mark in developmental politics," said a senior functionary while speaking to this newspaper.

Sources in BJP hinted that this Ramnavami on April 17 — the first such event since the 'Pran-Pratishtha' of Ram Lalla — is expected to further renew the Hindutva plan ahead of the first phase of LS polls on April 19 across 102 seats in the country.

"The Modi Ki Guarantee has become a popular theme. We are sure people will vote for us again by placing their trust in Modi ji," remarked a senior party leader, adding that 'Modinomics' for economy, 'Modi-magic' for foreign affairs and 'Modi-might' for defence are what the people have realised as the need of the hour for becoming a developed India and an 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'.

Elaborating on the next 'WAY', BJP sources said that 'W' stands widely for women and their empowerment and participation in nation-building after the Modi government ensured reservation for them for Lok Sabha and assembly elections.

The next 'A' is for agriculture and schemes started for farmers. The last 'Y' stands for youth and 'yojana'. It signifies the new employment and entrepreneurship avenues through Vishwakarma Yojana, said a BJP leader.

To sharpen its nationalistic appeal, the ruling BJP in Gujarat aims to hoist flags atop 45 lakh houses in the run-up to the Lok Sabha polls to create an atmosphere akin to the one ahead of the Ram temple inauguration in Ayodhya on January 22, state unit chief CR Paatil said on Thursday.

He said booth-level functionaries and "page presidents" must ensure BJP flags are hoisted on April 6, which is the party's foundation day.

NET score to be used for PhD admission from next academic session: UGC

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

ACADEMIC session scores from the National Eligibility Test (NET) will be used for Ph.D. admissions from 2024-25, said University Grants Commission (UGC) Chairman, Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar.

It will help replace the need for separate entrance tests conducted by individual universities and higher education institutions (HEIs).

"This marks an important step in streamlining the admissions process and enhancing accessibility for aspiring doctoral candidates," he said.

By leveraging the NET, which is conducted biannually by the National Testing Agency (NTA), universities can offer greater flexibility to students, allowing them to utilise their scores from either session to apply for PhD programs across various institutions, he added.

He added that it will eliminate the need for students to prepare and appear for multiple entrance tests conducted by different universities, thus reducing the burden of exam logistics and expenses.

Additionally, the biannual administration of the NET provides students with increased opportunities to secure admission to their desired PhD programs.

"We strongly encourage all universities to adopt NET exam scores for PhD admissions starting from the 2024-2025 academic session," he said.

In a public notice posted on Wednesday, the UGC said that currently, the NET scores are used to award Junior Research Fellowship (JRI) and as eligibility for appointment as Assistant Professor for those with a Master's degree. NET is conducted twice a year, in June and December.

"To help the students with one national entrance test for PhD admissions as a part of implementing the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the UGC constituted an expert committee to review the provisions of the National Eligibility Test (NET)," the notice said.

Based on the expert committee's recommendations in its 578th meeting held on March 13, 2024, the UGC has decided that from the academic session 2024-25, the NET score can be used for admission to PhD programmes in place of entrance tests conducted by the different universities/HEIs (Higher Education Institutions), it said.

Over 25 lakh TB cases reported last yr, 16% decline since 2015, says report

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

AS many as 25.55 lakh cases of Tuberculosis (TB) were notified last year, marking the highest count since the launch of the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP) in the 1960s, as per a government report.

Uttar Pradesh recorded the highest number of notifications compared to the previous year, followed by Bihar, as indicated by the National TB Elimination Programme's India TB Report 2024.

The report also highlights that India has seen a decline of 16 percent in tuberculosis incidence from 2015 to 2022, a figure higher than the global decline of nine per cent.

Of the total notified cases, over 8.4 lakhs were from the private sector, marking a 17 percent increase from 2022 and an exponential rise since 2017.

India aims to eliminate TB by 2025, five years ahead of the global Sustainable Development Goal target of 2030.

"India's efforts to ensure early detection and treatment initiation, along with a host of community engagement efforts, have resulted in a 16% decline in TB incidence (new cases emerging each year) and an 18% reduction in mortality due to TB since 2015," it said.

"The year 2023 witnessed a significant increase in case notifications, achieving a case notification rate of approximately 179 cases per lakh population, thereby narrowing the coverage to 0.2 million," it added.

"This milestone was complemented by a surge in private TB case notifications, reflecting enhanced case-finding efforts. Moreover, the programme diagnosed 63,939 cases of multidrug-resistant TB (MDR-TB), highlighting the programme's commitment to addressing drug resistance," it added.

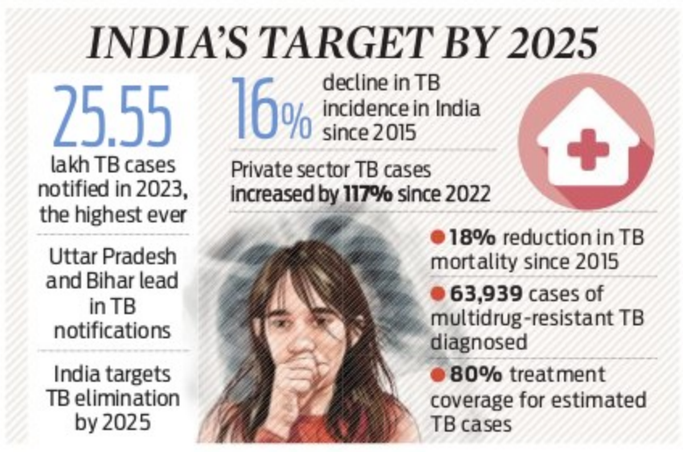
"The country continued the consistent trend of improvement in case finding in 2023, as demonstrated by the notification of 25.55 lakh TB cases and a total Annualised TB case notification rate (ACNR) of 178.8 per lakh population, which is the highest ever achieved by India," the report added.

ACNR is the number of TB cases notified per lakh population annually. In the private sector, the case notification rate was 59.2 cases per lakh population, the highest achieved under the programme.

The report also stated that India's treatment coverage improved to 80 percent of the estimated TB cases, marking a 19 percent increase over the previous year.

It further noted that TB mortality was 23 per lakh population, representing an 18 percent decline compared to 2015, when it was 28 per lakh population.

In 2023, more than 20.5 crore individuals were screened for signs and symptoms suggestive of TB as part of active case-finding efforts.


INDIA'S TARGET BY 2025
25.55
lakh TB cases notified in 2023, the highest ever
16%
decline in TB incidence in India since 2015
Private sector TB cases increased by 117% since 2022
Uttar Pradesh and Bihar lead in TB notifications
India targets TB elimination by 2025
18% reduction in TB mortality since 2015
63,939 cases of multidrug-resistant TB diagnosed
80% treatment coverage for estimated TB cases

CBI closes AI corruption case against Patel, says no 'evidence of wrongdoing'

MUKESH RANJAN @New Delhi

THE Central Bureau of Investigation has filed a closure report in its probe regarding a case registered in 2017 into the alleged irregularities in the leasing of aircraft by National Aviation Corporation of India Ltd. (NACIL), a company formed by the merger of Air India and Indian Airlines during the UPA era, as there was no "evidence of any wrong doing," officials said on Thursday.

The case, involving ex-civil aviation minister Praful Patel was registered on the orders of the Supreme Court. In the FIR, the CBI also named officials of the Ministry of Civil Aviation and Air India to probe allegations of irregularities in leasing aircraft for Air India.

It is learnt that after investigating the case for nearly 7 years, the CBI informed the court this month that there was no "evidence of any wrong doing" and the matter will come up for hearing in the second week of April, officials said.

The officials, however, noted that other cases related to alleged irregularities in Air India, including the seat-sharing arrangement with private international airlines, are continuing. The case, in which the closure report has been filed, pertained to the allegations regarding irregularities in leasing a large number of aircraft by Air India which resulted in huge losses to the national carrier while private persons made pecuniary gains.

This leasing was done by the public servants of the Ministry of Civil Aviation under Patel and NACIL despite the airlines running with very low load because of large scale aircraft acquisition and several flights running almost empty, the CBI had alleged in its FIR.

The agency had alleged that the decision was made "dishonestly," and the aircraft were leased even while an acquisition program was going on. The decision was taken "in conspiracy with other unknown persons on extraneous considerations" that resulted in pecuniary benefit to private companies, the FIR had alleged.

Pvt parties benefited

Air India, to benefit private parties, dry leased four Boeing 777s for a period of five years in 2006, whereas it was to get the delivery of its own aircraft from July, 2007 onwards. As a result, five Boeing 777s and five Boeing 737s were kept idle on the ground at an estimated loss of ₹840 crores, the CBI said.

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	37	24	Mumbai	33	27
Bhopal	37	24	Panaji	32	26
Jaipur	37	25	Patna	25	26
Amritsar	31	18	Lucknow	35	22
Chennai	33	27	Port Blair	32	27
Kolkata	34	26	Imphal	26	18
Srinagar	13	17	Chandigarh	34	21

STATE IN FOCUS

4-CORNERED PUNJAB PUZZLE

With SAD, BJP going their ways, ground is open for ruling AAP and Cong

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

FOR the first time in its political journey, Punjab is set to witness a four-cornered contest in the Lok Sabha elections in Punjab due June 1 in the seventh and final phase of the polls. The battle scene became clear after the alliance talks between the BJP and its former ally the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) broke down. The four key aspirants in the fray are: the ruling AAP, Congress, BJP and SAD, besides other smaller parties.

The BJP last contested the general election independently in 1996 in the state. With AAP facing anti-incumbency and the Congress in disarray, the SAD-BJP alliance could have been a potent force. The BJP and SAD contested 6 and five assembly polls together since 1996.

In the 2019 and 2014 parliamentary polls, out of the 13 Lok Sabha seats in the state, the BJP contested in alliance with SAD and won Gurdaspur and Hoshiarpur seats as it contested a total of three seats, including Amritsar. While in the last lok sabha polls SAD won only two seats, Bathinda and Ferozepur. In 2019, the Congress won eight seats (Amritsar, Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Patiala, Faridkot, Anandpur Sahib, Fategarh Sahib and Khadoor Sahib) and AAP won only one, Sangrur.

Talking with this newspaper, political analyst Kuldeep Singh said the LS polls in the state will be path-breaking in many ways. The results will hold mirror to the four principal players: SAD will be able to see how much ground it has recovered with the return of Akali faction leaders.

The BJP can measure the rural turf in Punjab with so many leaders joining the party. Third, AAP will be able to see how much ground it continues to retain in the face of the anti-incumbency. And fourth, the Congress can gauge how much the perceived failure of governance of AAP has translated into votes for the party, Singh said.

In the 2022 assembly polls, SAD and BJP fought separately and suffered huge losses. The BJP won two and SAD three seats in the 117-member assembly. In a landslide, AAP won 92 seats while the Congress managed to get only 18 seats.

One of the reasons why SAD refused to shake hands with BJP again was the farmers' agitation. Besides, the party wanted a resolution of Bandi Singhs (jailed Sikhs) as part of the pre-poll deal. Another reason was the latest farmers' protest as the BJP government in neighbouring Haryana did not allow the farmers to move forward up to Delhi. This sharpened the anti-BJP sentiment among the rural Sikh population, the main vote bank of SAD.

On the other hand, the BJP leadership is of the view that the Ram temple consecration and the PM's development pitch will generate greater support for the party this time. It is also relying on the massive outreach undertaken by the Prime Minister to the Sikhs, including opening of the Kartarpur Corridor, the announcements for celebrations of the birth anniversaries of the Sikh Gurus and the Veer Bal Diwas, commemorating the martyrdom of the sons of 10th Guru Gobind Singh.

Punjab has over 38% Hindu population, which the saffron party wants to consolidate. Besides, many Sikh leaders, including former CM Capt Amarinder Singh, Rana Gurmeet Singh Sodhi and Fateh Jung Singh Bajwa have joined the saffron party. Recently three sitting MPs -- Preneet Kaur (from Patiala), Ravneet Singh Bittu (from Ludhiana) and the lone AAP MP from Jalandhar Sushil Kumar Rinku – have joined the saffron camp.

Sometime back, former ambassador to the US Taranjit Singh Sandhu was inducted into the BJP and he is likely to be given the ticket from native Amritsar. He is the grandson of Sikh leader Teja Singh Samundri, who played a big role in the gurdwara movement.

Interestingly, the vote share of BJP was 6.6% in the last assembly polls as it contested 73 seats on its own.

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WOMEN 1,00,77,543

THOSE AGED 100-119 YEARS
OVER 5,000

There are more than 200 individuals who are above the age of 120 years exercising their voting rights in the state.

Risk of going it alone

Analysts say the poll results in Punjab will hold mirror to the four principal players – AAP, Congress, SAD & BJP. While each of them is keen to see the gains of going it alone, the fear of the 'adventure' is for all see at present. Of the four, the BJP has taken the biggest risk since 1996

How State Voted In Last 10 yrs?

Punjab has 13 Lok Sabha constituencies. In 2019, Congress won 8 seats, SAD and BJP 2 each and AAP 1. In 2014, SAD and AAP managed to 4 seats each, Congress 3 and BJP 2

2019 RESULTS

Constituency	Candidate	Party	Winning margin
Amritsar	Gurjit Singh Aujla	Congress	99,626
Anandpur Sahib	Manish Tewari	Congress	46,884
Bathinda	Harsimrat Kaur Badal	SAD	21,772
Faridkot	Mohd. Sadique	Congress	83,256
Fatehgarh Sahib	Dr Amar Singh	Congress	93,898
Firozpur	Sukhbir Singh Badal	SAD	1,98,850
Gurdaspur	Sunny Deol	BJP	82,459
Hoshiarpur	Som Prakash	BJP	48,530
Jalandhar	Santokh Singh Chaudhary	Congress	19,491
Khadoor Sahib	Jasbir Singh Gill	Congress	1,40,573
Ludhiana	Ravneet Singh Bittu	Congress	76,372
Patiala	Preneet Kaur	Congress	1,62,718
Sangrur	Bhagwant Mann	AAP	1,10,211

2014 RESULTS

Constituency	Candidate	Party	Winning margin
Gurdaspur	Vinod Khanna	BJP	1,36,065
Amritsar	Captain Amarinder Singh	Congress	1,02,770
Khadoor Sahib	Ranjit Singh Brahmpura	SAD	1,00,569
Jalandhar	Santokh Singh Chaudhary	Congress	70,981
Hoshiarpur	Vijay Sampla	BJP	13,582
Anandpur Sahib	Prem Singh Chandumajra	SAD	23,697
Ludhiana	Ravneet Singh Bittu	Congress	19,709
Fatehgarh Sahib	Harinder Singh Khalsa	AAP	54,144
Faridkot	Sadhu Singh	AAP	1,72,516
Ferozpur	Sher Singh Ghubaya	SAD	31,420
Bathinda	Harsimrat Kaur Badal	SAD	19,395
Sangrur	Bhagwant Mann	AAP	2,11,721
Patiala	Dr Dharam Vira Gandhi	AAP	20,942

After 14-yr political hiatus, Govinda may contest from Mumbai North West seat | PTI

'Hero No 1' jumps into Maha poll battle, joins Shinde

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

Actor Govinda has officially joined Shiv Sena led by Eknath Shinde, marking the end of his 14-year political hiatus.

In a significant move witnessed by Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde at his Varsha bungalow, Govinda expressed his commitment to contribute to Mumbai's progress, particularly in the realm of art and culture.

Speaking on his return to politics, Govinda emphasized his eagerness to enhance the cultural landscape of Mumbai. Speculation suggests he may contest as Shiv Sena's candidate from Mumbai North West, pitting against Shiv Sena (UBT) Amol Kirtikar.

Additionally, the meeting between actresses Karisma and Kareena Kapoor with CM Eknath Shinde sparked speculation regarding their potential involvement in the upcoming Lok Sabha elections, although no official statement has been made.

Reflecting on his political journey, Govinda highlighted his previous tenure as a Member of Parliament from 2004 to 2009 and expressed gratitude towards Mumbai for his success in the film industry. He praised Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde's developmental initiatives, expressing a desire to elevate Mumbai's film industry on the global stage.

Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde welcomed Govinda into Shiv Sena, acknowledging his enthusiasm for contributing to Mumbai's growth trajectory. Notably, Govinda's entry into Shiv Sena drew remarks from NCP (SP) state president Jayant Patil, suggesting the party could have opted for actors with recent box office hits.

Modi, Shah, Yogi to add star power to BJP's campaign in J&K

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE BJP has listed Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, BJP president JP Nadda and Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath among 40 star campaigners for the Lok Sabha elections in Jammu and Kashmir.

BJP's national general secretary Arun Singh has submitted the list of 40 star campaigners to J&K's chief electoral officer (CEO) PK Pole. Polling for the five Lok Sabha seats in J&K will be held in five phases.

Modi, Shah, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari, Information & Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur, Minister for Women & Child Development Smriti Irani and Union Minister of State in PMO Jitendra Singh canvass for party candidates in J&K. Besides Yogi, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand CMs Bhajan Lal Sharma and Pushkar Singh Dhami will hit campaign trail in J&K.

"Most of the rallies will be held in Jammu region as focus of the party is to win at least three Lok Sabha seats -- two seats from Jammu, and newly created Anantnag-Rajouri seat," a party leader said, wishing anonymity.

In 2014 and 2019 polls, the BJP won Udhampur and Jammu seats. The National Conference won three Valley seats in 2019. The BJP has announced candidates for two of the five seats. It has fielded its MPs again –Jitendra Singh from Udhampur and Jugal Kishore from Jammu. The BJP is yet to announce candidates for Anantnag-Rajouri, Srinagar and Baramulla seats. Party sources said BJP's J&K chief Ravinder Raina is frontrunner from Anantnag-Rajouri seat. The party is hopeful of wresting the seat from NC with support of Paharis. The government recently granted ST status to Paharis.

Poll officers can't force electors

Many electors are not aware of their right to 'refuse to vote' even after registering their identities before the presiding officer. That right, which is separate from the provision to vote under NOTA, can be exercised under the 'Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961 Rule 49-O', which elaborates the little-known option for electors to abstain from voting even after reaching polling booth.

Eco-friendly poll campaigns

As election campaigns started across the country, environmentalists demand that political parties take the digital and other non-conventional ways of electioneering to minimise the impact of non-biodegradable poll materials on nature. Political parties are expected to rely mostly on social media to reach voters and shun plastic flags that litter streets.

JMM Odisha prez gets Mayurbhanj

The Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) Thursday decided to field its Odisha unit president Anjani Soren as the party's candidate from Mayurbhanj Lok Sabha seat. JMM Odisha unit spokesperson Shivaji Moulik said the party also decided to field Bishnu Singh as its candidate from Bangiriposi.

Over 70 file papers for 4 seats in Bihar

More than 70 candidates have filed their nomination papers for the four seats in Bihar where voting will take place in the first phase of Lok Sabha polls, the election department said. The maximum number of candidates were in Gaya (22), Aurangabad (21), Nawada (17) and Jamui (12).

Pappu Yadav raises banner of revolt as grand-alliance list to be out today

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

FORMER MP Rajesh Ranjan alias **Pappu Yadav**, who merged his Jan Adhikar Party (JAP) with the Congress, reiterated his resolve to contest election from Purnia even as the grand alliance in Bihar is set to announce seat-sharing deal for Lok Sabha election on Friday.

"It will be suicidal for me if I contest election from somewhere else," Yadav told the media in response to a query on RJD fielding turncoat Bima Bharti as its official candidate from the seat, which Pappu wanted to contest.

A consensus on the seat-sharing was reached after two major allies of the alliance - RJD and Congress- held hectic parleys on several seats, which were a bone of contention between them.

RJD sources said that former deputy chief minister Tejashwi Prasad Yadav and other senior leaders of the grand alliance would declare seat sharing pact at a press conference in the state party headquarters.

Sources claimed that RJD would contest on 26 seats while Congress on nine seats. Seats from which the Congress is likely to contest are Sasaram, Kishanganj, Katihar, Motihari, West Champaran, Muzaffarpur, Patna Saheb, Supaul and Bhagalpur seats.

The CPM may contest Karakat, Ara and Nalanda seats while the CPI is likely to field its candidates from Begusarai seat and CPI(M-L) Khagaria seat. In the remaining seats, the RJD will field its candidates.

A clear picture on Purnia and Katihar seats from where Congress wanted to field Pappu Yadav and Tariq Anwar will emerge on Friday. Both Congress and RJD are staking claims to these seats. The sources claimed that RJD agreed to give nine seats to Congress only after the latter conceded to give Chatra and Palamu seats in neighbouring Jharkhand.

BJP's struggle for Sabarkantha as Gujarat MLA abuses women

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

A day after BJP MLA and former Gujarat assembly speaker Ramanlal Vora courted controversy by purportedly using derogatory language against the tribal women chairing a health committee of the district panchayat under the party banner, a video of the incident went viral on Thursday intensifying the protest.

The incident took place on Wednesday when Vora was dispatched by the party's high command to pacify the demonstrators demanding replacement of replaced candidate Bhikhaji Thakor.

According to sources, BJP leaders have lodged complaints with the party high command regarding the MLA's behaviour. For the past four days, there has been a continuous demonstration against the BJP's candidate in Sabarkantha, North Gujarat. Initially, the dissatisfaction stemmed from the caste of the BJP's nominee, Bhikhaji Thakor. Owing to the protest, Thakor was replaced, and ticket offered to Bhavna Ben Bariya.

A screengrab of the scuffle among BJP workers in Chittorgarh | EXPRESS

Factionalism resurgence

In last year's elections, Akya was denied a BJP ticket and had revolted against the party, alleging that CP Joshi harbored a grudge against him. The scuffle indicated a resurgence of factionalism in the party.

Raj BJP chief's 'Holi Milan' turns into free-for-all battle

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

INTERNAL strife within the Rajasthan BJP once again came to the fore at a Holi get-together organised by state party President CP Joshi, which saw angry scuffles break out among BJP workers. Joshi had organised the Holi Milan program in Chittorgarh, from where he is the Lok Sabha candidate, to interact with party workers. However, supporters of Joshi and local BJP MLA Chandrabhan Singh Akya ended up in a confrontation.

In last year's assembly elections, Akya, a two-time sitting MLA, was denied a BJP ticket and had revolted against the party, alleging that CP Joshi harbored a grudge against him since their student days. Although Akya recently rejoined the party, the open conflict between the two factions signals a resurgence of factionalism within the Rajasthan BJP. A video capturing a heated altercation between BJP State President CP Joshi and former MLA Badrilal Jat during the Holi Milan function is circulating widely on social media platforms. The incident has triggered a flurry of exchanges between supporters of both factions on social media.

BJP may win 5 seats in 60-member Arunachal House uncontested

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

THE BJP, which rules Arunachal Pradesh, is expected to win five seats uncontested as nobody other than its candidates filed nomination papers in those seats.

March 27 was the last date for filing nomination papers. The state's election department said it received nominations from only one candidate in five seats. One of the five candidates facing no contest is Chief Minister Pema Khandu, who is contesting from his pet Mukto seat in Tawang district.

He had won two previous elections, including a by-election which was necessitated by the demise of his father Dorjee Khandu in a helicopter crash in 2011, unopposed. It was only in the 2019 polls that he faced a contest. However, he had a comfortable victory over his Congress rival Thupten Kunphen.

The other BJP candidates facing no contest are Techi Rotu (Sagalee in Papum Pare district), Jikke Tako (Tali in Kra-Daadi district), Nyato Dukam (Taliha in Upper Subansiri district), and Mutchu Mithi (Roing in Lower Dibang Valley district).

Tako is set to win the polls uncontested for the second time. Rotu is a retired engineer and a first-timer. Mithi, who had won the 2019 polls as a National People's Party (NPP) candidate, joined the BJP recently. The state election department is expected to declare the five BJP candidates as winners after March 30, last date for withdrawal.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that I, **Smt. Madhu Dadha,** W/o Shri. Maher Dadha, R/o Dadha House, No. 136, 7th Main Road, 5th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru - 560041, have lost the original share certificates (10 in nos.) bearing Certificate Nos. 3, 8, 14, 24, 27, 33, 39, 47, 51 and 57, standing in my name issued by M/s. Wardex Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd. If found, please inform and return the original share certificates to the below address or Ph: +91 9731313391 within a period of **15 days** from the date of publication of the present notice.

Smt. Madhu Dadha
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Mobile No.: +91 9731313391.

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My client **Sri. B.N.Gopala Gowda** S/o Narayana Gowda residing at Shanthanapura Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk confirm resident of the above address.

We hereby declare that my client has Lost the below mentioned Original Sale deeds near Hosakote Bus Stop, on 28th March 2024.

The Document of title Original Sale deeds with respect to BDA Site No.1847 measuring (40X60) feet, situated at First Sector, Hosur Sarjapura Road layout, Bangalore, This above Original Sale Deeds bearing No.4322/1993-94 dated 23/02/1994 and Original Sale Deed bearing No.11502/2002-03 dated 18/12/2002, is registered in the office of the SRO, Bangalore South Taluk Further Police complaint has been lodged on 28/03/2024 in Online bearing Lost Report. No.0994091/2024 to this effect which has been duly acknowledged. The above Public Notice is now issued. Any person having claim/in possession of the said document may represent to the under signed **within 14 days** failing which it will be taken that there are no claims.

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Possession Notice (Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, The undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India, RACPC, White Field, Bengaluru** under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the following borrowers/ mortgagors/ guarantors to repay the loan amount mentioned in their demand notices with further interest at contractual rate together with incidental expenses cost charges etc., within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices. The details of the loan accounts of borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors such as name of the borrowers/mortgagors/guarantors, date of issue of demand notice, Date of publication of demand notice, outstanding as per the demand notice, possession taken date, description of secured assets including present loan outstanding etc., are furnished hereunder against the name of each borrowers/mortgagors/guarantos :

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Demand Notice date : 06.01.2024

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Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 17,27,908/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Eight Only) as on 24.03.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 25.03.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Description Of The Immovable Property : Schedule A Property : Item -1 : All that piece and parcel of converted land bearing Sy No. 22/2, measuring 19.14 Guntas, converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural residential purpose vide Official Memorandum dated 03.12.2013, bearing No.ALN(E.V.H)SR.181/2013-14, passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore situated at Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and **bounded on : East by :** Remaining portion in same survey number belonging to Sri. V.K. Babu, **West by :** Land bearing Sy No.19 belonging to Children of Late Dodda Thippanna, **North by :** Remaining portion in same survey number belonging to Sri.M.Kiran Ponnacha, **South by :** Road.

Item No. 2 : All that piece and parcel of portion of converted land bearing Sy No.22/2, bearing BBMP Khata Sl.No.1430, Sy No.22/2, Municipal No.46, measuring 02.02 Guntas and converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural residential purpose vide the order dated 30.06.2012, in Official Memorandum bearing No. ALN(E.V.H) SR.99/2012-13, passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore situated at Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and **bounded on : East by :** Remaining portion of Sy No.22/2, **West by :** Land bearing Sy No.19, **North by :** Land bearing Sy No.22/2, **South by :** Land bearing Sy No. 22/2.

Composite Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land bearing Sy No.22/2, presently amalgamated BBMP Khata Sl No.1539, Sy No.22/2, Municipal No.133, in all measuring 0.21.16 Guntas, converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural residential purpose vide Official Memorandum dated 30.06.2012, bearing No.ALN(E.V.H)SR.99/2012-13 and dated 03.12.2013 bearing No. ALN(E.V.H)SR.181/2013-14, both passed by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore situated at Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and **bounded on : East by :** Remaining portion in same survey number belonging to Sri.V.K.Babu, **West by :** Land bearing Sy No.19 belonging to Children of Late Dodda Thippanna, **North by :** Remaining portion in same survey number belonging to Sri.M.Kiran Ponnacha, **South by :** Road.

Schedule B Property : 519 sq. feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above.

Schedule C Property : Flat bearing No.001, Block – B, in the Ground Floor, measuring about 1125 sq. feet super built up area containing Two bedrooms, with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring and Main door teak wood frames with Flush shutter, Bedroom door Sal-wood frames with flush shutters, remaining doors with Sal-wood frames and Three Track Aluminium windows, together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lift, staircase on Schedule "A" Property known as "SAI AASTHA" apartment, **standing in the name of Sri. Ragavendra Gopal Jilkar S/o. Sri. Gopal N Jilkar.**

A/c No. HL 40978547226, Suraksha 40978547442

2) Name of the Borrowers : Sri. Shaik Mohammed Areef S/o. Sri. Shaik Abdul Rasheed

Demand Notice date : 06.01.2024, and its paper publication in "The New Indian Express" and "Samyuktha Karnataka" dated 24.01.2024.

outstanding as per the demand Notice : 30,23,985/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Five Only) as on 04.01.2024. You are also liable to pay further interest from 05.01.2024 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 27.03.2024

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 30,06,179/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Six Thousand One Hundred Seventy Nine Only) as on 25.03.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 26.03.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Descriptionof the Immovable Property : SCHEDULE A PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of converted land bearing Sy No.71, measuring 1 Acre 06 Guntas (converted as per the Official Memorandum bearing No. ALN(ASH)SR.25/2015-16, dated 04.09.2015 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore situated at Sompura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and **bounded on the : East by :** Road, **West by :** Land bearing Sy No. 71, **North by :** Road and Land in Sy No. 105, **South by :** Land bearing Re- Sy No. 72.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of converted land area measuring to an extent of 3813.02 Sq. Mtrs (41044 Sq. feet) in Sy.No.71 (converted as per the Official Memorandum bearing No. ALN(ASH)SR.25/2015-16, dated 04.09.2015 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore situated at Sompura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and **bounded on : East by :** Remaining extent of land retained by the owner in Sy No.71, **West by :** Remaining property of Sy No.71, **North by :** Road, **South by :** Land bearing Sy No.72.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY : 462.06 sq. feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule B Property.

SCHEDULE 'D' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Flat bearing No.H106, East facing having 580 Sq. feet of carpet area plus additional balcony area of 64 Sq. feet and super built up area of 883 Sq. feet in the Ground Floor, in H Block, with one car parking space in the stilt floor in the apartment building constructed over the Schedule B Property known as "SIGNATURE CLASSIC 2", consisting of 2 Bedrooms, Hall, Kitchen, Balconies and Toilets, along with right to the use of the common areas, facilities, passages, lobby, corridor, situated at Sompura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and the plan sanction for the construction of apartment building is sanctioned from the Anekal Planning Authority vide No.APA/CC/474/2020-2021 dated 22.03.2021 within the limits of Yamare Grama Panchayatha having E-Katha No.150200100100622571, **standing in the name of Sri. Shaik Mohammed Areef S/o. Sri. Shaik Abdul Rasheed.**

A/c No. EB-HL Maxgain 39657206122, 64133966056

3) Name of the Borrowers : Sri.Suresh Babu Annama Reddy S/o Sri.Venkata Rao

Demand Notice date : 06.01.2024

outstanding as per the demand Notice : 22,35,481/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Thirty Five Thousand Four Hundred Eighty One Only) as on 04.01.2024. You are also liable to pay further interest from 05.01.2024 together with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Possession Taken on : 27.03.2024

Loan outstanding amount : Rs. 22,05,936/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Five Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Six Only) as on 24.03.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 25.03.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

Description Of The Immovable Property : Schedule A Property : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Property No.19, Katha No.19, situated at 5th Cross, Chinnappanahalli Village, K.R.Kuram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, totally measuring 3280 sq. feet, with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever hereunder or underneath or above the surface and **bounded on the : East by :** Private Property, **West by :** Presently Road, **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Private Property.

Schedule B Property : 275 Sq. feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule A above.

Schedule C Property : Flat bearing No.T-3, in the Third Floor, measuring about 1125 sq. feet Super built up area, containing Three bedrooms, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with One covered car parking space, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircases etc. in the multistoried residential building known as "ABHIGRUHA", constructed over Schedule A Property, standing in the name of Sri.Annamareddy Suresh Babu S/o Sri. Venkata Rao.

The above named borrower(s)/mortgager(s)/guarantor(s) having failed to repay the entire loan amount as mentioned in their respective demand notices, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/ Mortgagers/guarantors, and the Public in general that, the undersigned being the authorised officer of **State Bank of India, RACPC, Whitefield, Bangalore** has taken possession of the properties described herein above, in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002 on the above mentioned dates.

The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors in particular, and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with aforesaid properties and any dealings with anyone of the said properties will be subject to the charge of the **STATE BANK OF INDIA** for related present loan outstanding amount as mentioned against the respective borrowers/ guarantors/ mortgagers name with further interest at contractual rate with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc thereon.

The Borrowers'/Mortgagors'/Guarantors' attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 27.03.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer and Chief Manager
State Bank of India, RACPC-4, Whitefield, Bengaluru.

THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
4th floor, Ambedkar Veedhi, BSNL Building. Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560001.
DRT-11

Original Application No. 1506/2019

BETWEEN:-STATE BANK OF INDIA ARMB BRANCH BANGALORE **...APPLICANT**
AND:-GANTI SHANTALINGAPPA **DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

To, Defendant Mr. Shantalingappa S/o Basappa Proprietor of M/s. Basava Cotton Industry Plot No 13, in Sy No 92 (P) and 93 (P) in the Raichur Growth Centre Industrial Area Chikkasugur Village, Raichur Hobli, Tal and Dist: Raichur 584101 And also residing at Flat No 108, Ragavendra Residency 106, Basaveshwara Nagar Tal and Dist: Raichur 584101

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts due to the Banks and Financial Institutions Act of 1993, against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs. 1,92,10,382/ (Rupees One Crore Ninety Two Lakhs Ten Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Two only)** - together with current and future interest and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **06/06/2024 at 10:30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal on this the 30/01/2024

By the Order of the Tribunal
Signature of the Officer
Authorised to issue Summons
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II BANGALORE

THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
4th floor, Ambedkar Veedhi, BSNL Building, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560001.
DRT-II

Original Application No. 1060/2020

BETWEEN:-State Bank of India Stressed Assets Recovery Management Branch, Hubalii, Karnataka **...APPLICANT**
AND:1. Mr. Mohammed S/o Jalalsab Hanif R/o. Kolur Village, Tq. Deodurg, Dist.Raichur-584111 **...DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION

To, Defendant: 1. Mr. Mohammed S/o Jalalsab Hanif R/o. Kolur Village, Tq. Deodurg, Dist. Raichur-584111

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts due to the Banks and Financial Institutions Act of 1993, against you for recovery of a sum of Rs. 35,60,985/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Sixty Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Five Only together with current and future interest and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **19/06/2024 at 10:30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal on this the 12/02/2024

By the Order of the Tribunal
Signature of the Officer
Authorised to issue Summons
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II BANGALORE

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank

STRESSED ASSETS MANAGEMENT BRANCH

No 10, 1st Floor, Indian Bank Buildings K G Road, Bengaluru 560009

APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, SAM Branch Bangalore, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **16-04-2024** for recovery of **Rs. 75,57,487.00/- (Rupees Seventy-Five Fifty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Seven only)** as on **29-02-2024** with further interest and charges and expenses due to Indian Bank, SAM Branch Bangalore Secured Creditor, from: **1) Mrs. Liza Rani B**, w/o Mr Bheema N No. 52/A Jyothi Nialaya, 3rd Cross, Vijaya Bank Colony, Extension Horamavu, Bangalore - 560043. **2) Mr Bheema N** No. 52/A Jyothi Nialaya, 3rd Cross, Vijaya Bank Colony, Extension Horamavu, Bangalore - 560043.The specific details of the properties intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

Property :All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing site No. 57, Assessment No 73., Property No 73, previously situated at Jayanthi Nagar, Horamavu Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk now assigned with BBMP Khatha No 57, presently within the limits of BBMP Bangalore; East to West 30 feet and North to South 50 feet totally measuring 1500 sq.ft. and bounded on:East by: 4 feet passage & private property,West by: Property belong to Sri. Narayanaswamy,North by: Property belong to Sri. Muniraj,South by: Road.

Prior Encumbrances on property	NIL
Reserve Price	Rs 62,04,000/-
EMD Amount	Rs 6,20,400/-
Bid incremental amount	Rs 25,000/-
Date and time of e-auction	16-04-2024 11.00 AM TO 4.00 PM
Property ID No	IDIB38000103684

Bidders are advised to visit the website (www.mstcecommerce.com/auction/home/ibapi) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-23400020/23400021/23400022 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com and for EMD status please contact ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: https://ibapi.in and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Numbers as mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with https://ibapi.in and www.mstcecommerce.com.

Date: 28-03-2024
Place: Bangalore

Sd/-Authorised Officer, Indian Bank

THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LTD

KVB Karur Vysya Bank Smart way to bank

DIVISIONAL OFFICE
No.6, 2nd Floor, Sajjan Rao Circle, V.V.Puram, Bangalore-560004

SUBSTITUTED DEMAND NOTICE

Reg: Notice issued under Sec 13 [2] of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 [SARFAESI Act] for recovery of dues in the loan a/c of **Mrs. Rathnamma** W/o Mr. Srinivas, No.170, 9th Cross, Maruthi Nagar, Sanjay Nagar, Muniyappa Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097.

Whereas you have committed default in repayment of loans in the above mentioned loan account to the secured creditor bank, the Bank had issued notice under the SARFAESI Act on **05.03.2024** calling upon you to repay the outstanding amount of **Rs.29,90,067.77 (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Ninety Thousand Sixty Seven and Paise Seventy Seven Only)** A copy of the notice is also affixed on the premises at Residential Land and Building bearing No. 15 and Katha No. 15/49-1, Ward No. 8, situated at Nagashettyhalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk.

Whereas the notices sent to you by Regd. Post/Courier have been returned unserved. You are hereby called upon to visit the bank and obtain copy of the notice in your own interest in order to note the full particulars of the loan dues, securities charged to the bank etc.

You are hereby called upon to pay the amount as shown above together with interest from **04.03.2024** till date of payment within 60 days from the date of the notice failing which, the secured creditor Bank will be constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of the secured assets hypothecated/ mortgaged to the bank as mentioned below, as per the provisions of SARFAESI Act.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SECURED ASSETS

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Land and Building bearing No. 15 and Katha No. 15/49-1, Ward No. 8 situated at Nagashettyhalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk site measuring East to West 34 feet, North to South 40 feet totally measuring 1360 sq. ft bounded on the : East by : Property No. 17, belongs to Chandran, West by : Road, North by : Road, South by : Property No. 16/B sold to Kannamma.

Date : 28.03.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Karur Vysya Bank Limited

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CHOLAMANDALAM INVESTMENT AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Corporate Office : "CHOLA CREST", C54 & 55, Super B-4, Thiru. Vi.Ka Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032.
Branch Address : Municipal No.45, (Old Nos. 45& 45/1), First Floor, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore - 560 027.

POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8 (1)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **M/s Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 hereinafter called the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest [Enforcement] Rules, 2002 issued a demand notices calling upon the Borrowers, whose names have been indicated in Column [B] below on dates specified in Column [C] to repay the outstanding amount indicated in Column [D] below with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties mortgaged with the company described herein below of the Columns on the respective dates mentioned in Column [E] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13[4] of the Act read with Rule 9 of the Rules made there under.

The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of **M/s Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited,** for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.

Under section 13[8] of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstanding including all costs, charges and expenses before notification of sale.

Sl. No.	Name and Address of Borrower & Loan A/c No. [B]	Date of Demand Notice [C]	Outstanding Amount [D]	Date of Possession [E]
[1]	**Loan Account No's. : X0HEBAN00003352141** **(1) Soma Shekar B, (2) Chikkamma M, (3) Dhakshayini B, (4) Rudresh B, All are Residing at :** No.4/2-44, Thalagattapura Grama, Uttarahalli Hobli, Kanakapura Main Road, Bangalore-560062. **(5) M/s Ashapuri Provision Store,** No.37, Ganigara Palya, Next To Govt Ration Shop, Talagattapura, Banashankari, 6th Stage, Bangalore-560062.	11.01.2024	Rs.21,77,890.00 as on 11.01.2024 and interest thereon.	28.03.2024 Symbolic
	Description of the Immovable Property : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing northern portion of Site No.44, Assessment No.4/2, New Khatha No.62, Old Khatha No.02, Situated at Thalaghattapura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under the limits of BBMP and bounded on: East by: Road, West by: Property belongs to Vajarappa , North by: Site No.487, South by: Property belongs to Savithramma , Measuring East to West: 40 Ft & North to South: 15 Ft, In all measuring 600 Sq.Ft. along with the building Constructed Thereon. Within the Registration District of Bangalore and Sub Registration Office.			

Date: 28.03.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited.

NMDC STEEL Limited

(A Government of India Enterprise)
Post – Nagarnar (Bastar) C.G. PIN 494001 (CIN: U27310CT2015GOI001618)

Demand Registration Notice 2024-25

NMDC Steel Limited invites Customers to indicate their requirement of HR Coils/ HR Sheets/ HR Plates for consideration of NSL for entering into MOUs for the financial year 2024-25. Details can be downloaded from **https://nmdcsteel.nmdc.co.in/**

Last Date for receipt of demand registration applications by NSL is 10.04.2024.

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Domlur Branch,
No.208, 5th Cross, 1st Main Road, Domlur Layout, Bengaluru-560071

POSSESSION NOTICE (APPENDIX IV-Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda, Domlur Branch, Bengaluru,** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **29.12.2023** calling upon the Borrowers /Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors/ Guarantors, **1) Sri.V. Kamalakannan** S/o Sri.Velunathan, No.TF 5 , 3rd Floor , 10th Cross, R R Nagar , Idea Home, Bharathi Petrol Bunk, Bengaluru -560098, And **also at:** Divya Nilaya, Ramaswamy Palya @ Byataguttepalya, Kacharakanahalli Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli , Bengaluru, **2) Smt. K Bharathi Priya** W/o Sri.V Kamalakannan, No.TF 5 , 3rd Floor, 10th Cross, R R Nagar, Idea Home, Bharathi Petrol Bunk , Bengaluru -560098, And **also at:** Divya Nilaya, Ramaswamy Palya @ Byataguttepalya, Kacharakanahalli Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli , Bengaluru, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.74,52,047.20 Paisa** (Rupees Seventy Four Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand and Forty Seven and Paisa Twenty Only) as on **28.12.2023** excluding of unrealized interest from **28.09.2023** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **27th March 2024.**

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount **Rs.74,52,047.20** Paisa (Rupees Seventy Four Lakhs Fifty Two Thousand and Forty Seven and Paisa Twenty Only) as on **28.12.2023** Excluding of unrealized interest from 28.09.2023 together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

Description of the Property

SCHEDULE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Khatha No.713, Assessment No.901, Old Property No.42 and New Property No.26/1, PID No.87-352-26/1, measuring East to West (19+20)/2 Feet And North to South 45 Feet, Situated at Ramaswamypalya, Byaguttepalya, Kacharakanahalli Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Ward No.87, Bengaluru and bounded on the: East by: Site No.35, West by: 30 Feet Road, North by: Site No.41, South by : Remaining Portion of S Rajamma.

Date : 27.03.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

UNION BANK OF INDIA
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Branch : Devanahalli Branch-07522
Near Jain Temple, B.B.Road, Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka-562110
Contact No. 9321907522, Email: ubin0907529@unionbankofindia.bank

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India (secured Creditor)** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Devanahalli Branch-07522, Near Jain Temple, B.B.Road, Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka-562110

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: 1(a). Mr. Ramesh M S/o Munipapaiah, No.246/A, RWF Quarters, West Colony, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560064, **2.Guarantor/s: 2(a).Mr.Shreyas** S/o Ramesh M, No.246/A, RWF Quarters, West Colony, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560064, **2(b). Vasanth Kumar** S/o Munipapaiah, H No:125, Bychapura, Anneshwara, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural-562110.

Amount due: Rs 91,78,534/- (Rupees Ninety One Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Four only) as on **29.02.2024** plus uncharged interest and future interest along with other contingents charges.

Description of immovable secured assests to be sold : All part and parcel of immovable property bearing Grama Thana Katha No:79/79/2, PID No:150200202000620377, situated at Singanayakanahalli Gramapanchayath ,Yelahanka Block, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 13.71 Mtr and North to South 9.144 Mtr (total extend of 125.41 Sq Mtr i.e. 1350 Sq Ft) together with two floor of residential building belonging to Mr. Ramesh M S/o Late Munipapaiah, , bounded by: East By: Road and H Krishnappas Property, West By: Remaining property of Chikkarudrappa, North By: Muniraju's property, South By: Property belongs to Krishnappa and Govindaraju.

Reserve Price : Rs 87,45,000/-
(Rupees Eighty Seven lakh Forty Five Thousand Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs 8,74,500/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Five Hundred Only)
(10% of Reserve Price)
Date and time of E-Auction: 30.04.2024 from 12:00 PM to 05:00 P.M
(with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD : On or before the commencement of e-Auction,
E-auction website: www.mstcecommerce.com

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**

The intending purchaser require to register through :
https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp

The online E-auction will be held through website:
https://www.mstcecommerce.com

For auction related queries e-mail to sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com contact the Branch Manager, Union Bank of India, Deavanahalli Branch, Near Jain Temple, B.B.Road, Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka-562110, Contact No. 9321907522, Email: ubin0907529@unionbankofindia. or Branch Manager, Mr B Surendra on Mob. 9908350386.

Date: 28.03.2024
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

MANAPPURAM FINANCE LTD.

CIN : L65910KL1992PLC006623
Registered Office: W - 4/ 638A, Manappuram House, P.O. Valapad, Thrissur - 680 567, Kerala, India

GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

The borrowers, in specific and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted at the following branches on 16/04/2024 from 10.00 am onwards. The auction is of the gold ornaments of defaulted customers who have failed to make payment of their loan amount despite being notified by registered letters. Unauctioned items shall be auctioned on any other days without any further notice. Reserve price is fixed on the basis of market price of the gold on the date of auction or the 85% of the average 30 days IBJA rate whichever is higher. Change in venue or date (if any) will be displayed at the auction centre and on the company website . The details given below are in the order of Branch Name, Loan Number, Customer Name, Total Due Amount (in `) & Item Name

List of pledges:-

BANGALORE, ANDRAHALLI MAIN ROAD, 107060700087100, KESHAVA Y, 10000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, ANDRAHALLY PEENIYA, 112820700062651, SRINIVASA V, 14000/-, DROPS & STUD 4, 2677, SRINIVAS PRABHA, 13000/-, STUD 2, ANEKAL, 117540700037241, HARSHA, 6662/-, FINGER RINGS 1, ANJANANAGAR, 122990700065164, SAYABANNA, 13000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, ATTIBELE, 107610700039856, BIRA LINGAPPA, 10000/-, DROPS & STUD 1, 107610730019826, SRADHANJALI SAHU, 49908/-, BANGLE 2, BASHETTAHALLI, 119390700037020, SUJATHA, 199999/-, CHAIN 1, 7261, BHARATH T, 60845/-, BANGLE 2, 119390730023715, BHARATH T S, 216450/-, CHAIN 1, 4866, KISHORE KUMAR T P, 127298/-, BRACELET 1, 5042, KISHORE KUMAR T P, 454524/-, CHAIN 2, 5160, BHARATH T, 334650/-, CHAIN 2, BB ROAD YELAHANKA, 106340700069881, VASANTH KUMAR, 12453/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 9988, SHARAKEERAHMED, 64960/-, BANGLE 2, BEML LAYOUT RAJARAJESWARI NAGAR, 108300730033061, NAGARAJ.T, 345060/-, BANGLE 5,BABY BANGLES 2, BHARAT NAGAR, 107710730085523, SHANTH KUMAR R S, 100006/-, CHAIN 1, BOMMANAHALLI, 125180700051217, THOTI JAHNAVI, 7395/-, DROPS 2, 1673, VIMAL JOY, 4932/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 3824, OMKAR REDDY G, 199999/-, BANGLE 4, 125180730055764, MUNAWAR PASHA, 378470/-, BROAD BANGLES 2,CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2,NECKLACE 1, BTM 2ND STAGE, 108790700058885, NAYAZ PASHA, 50000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 108790730037600, OMKAR REDDY G, 192530/-, BANGLE 4, CHIKKABALLAPUR, 118580700029719, K MOHAN BABU, 8000/-, FINGER RINGS 4, ELECTRONIC CITY, 105560700084665, SATHIVELU R, 98053/-, CHAIN 1, 6937, THUPAKULA PRABHAKAR, 10000/-, STUD 4, GARABAVIPALAYA, 105830730073570, JEEVAN KUMAR SINGH, 69010/-, NECKLACE 1, 7918, SURYANARAYANARAO, 12508/-, DROPS & STUD 2,FINGER RINGS 1, GNANAGANGANAGAR, 117530700027977, LIBINRAJ M, 8057/-, FINGER RINGS 5, GOLLARAHATTY, 111000730037878, LOKESH P, 7590/-, FINGER RINGS 1, HAROHALLI, 110340730030817, PRASANNAKUMAR, 11335/-, FINGER RINGS 1, HEBBAGODI, 109510780000133, RAJU KHAN, 19800/-, DROPS & STUD 2, HONGASANDRA, 106830700088603, HARISH G, 20000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, HOSA ROAD,BANGALORE, 124360700049365, JVSR NAGA PRADEEP YELLAPRAGADA, 17122/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 124360700050815, KUMARI, 8138/-, DROPS & STUD 2, HOSAHALLI MAIN ROAD HUNESEMARANAHALLI, 108230700048496, VASANT KUMAR S R, 25710/-, CHAIN 1, HOSKOTE K.R. LAYOUT, 104710700131379, PANCHALA REDDY D, 160160/-, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1,NECKLACE 1, HOSUR MAIN ROAD WILSON GARDEN, 104890700066195, ABDUL RAZIQH PASHA, 17000/-, FINGER RINGS 3, JALAHALLI, 123800700040276, PRAMOD KUMAR G, 7000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, JEEVANBHIMA NAGAR, 126280700025637, A VASANTHA KUMAR, 27118/-, FINGER RINGS 1, KADUGONDANAHALLI, 108760700099299, MOHAMMED TANVEER AHMED, 18257/-, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, KAIKONDANAHALLI, 108030700041681, SHREYAS KUMAR SK, 50000/-, BANGLE 1, KATHRIGUPPA, 106810700062100, USHA R, 102102/-, BANGLE 2, 2403, KUMAR, 25000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 2714, MANOJ MISHRA, 178178/-, BANGLE 2,CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 3, 2723, PRIYA NARASIMHALU, 78591/-, BRACELET 1, 3357, PRIYA NARASIMHALU, 122629/-, CHAIN 1, KONANAKUNTE, 108110700070754, SHRINIVAS M, 6000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, KORAMANGALA, 107470700032118, RAJIBA KISHORE JENE, 16801/-, FINGER RINGS 1, KUDLU SOMASUNDARAPALAYA, 105530730033084, DANANJAYA N, 10539/-, FINGER RINGS 1, LAGGERE BRIDGE, 118220700066908, RAKESH G, 25000/-, DROPS & STUD 1, M.S PALAYA, 121510700034702, SYED MUKTHIYAR, 7131/-, FINGER RINGS 1, MADIVALA, 100710780001141, S ISMAIL, 27800/-, CHAIN 1, MANGAMMANA PALYA, 107750730059754, RICHARDSON GEORGE, 18553/-, CHAIN 1, MANJUNATHANAGARA, 122820700026833, BINDU T S, 9500/-, DROPS & STUD 2, NANDHINI LAYOUT RING ROAD, 121370730021728, APROJ PASHA M, 10770/-, FINGER RINGS 1, NELAMANGALA PC EXTENSION, 120450730019286, YASHODHA KRISHNA, 113135/-, CHAIN 1, PARIMALANAGAR KANTEERAVA STUDIO, 107540730020913, CHIDANANDAMURTHI G S, 25300/-, FINGER RINGS 1, PARVATHINAGARA BANGALORE, 123070700062215, RAMYA B S, 11956/-, DROPS 2, 123070730032179, CHIKKANNA C, 44979/-, CHAIN 1, PEENIYA 2ND STAGE, 123880700075456, MAHADEVA, 7687/-, FINGER RINGS 1, RAJA PALYA, 108850700036568, SANTHOSH G, 71000/-, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 3,STUD 4, 8063, NANJAPPA, 19056/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 8215, SUBHANKARA CHOUDARY, 12613/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 108850730031945, SUBHANKARA CHOUDARY, 5046/-, FINGER RINGS 1, SARJAPUR ROAD ATTIBELE, 133650700018403, SUHAS G S, 104104/-, CHAIN 1, SOMASUNDARAPALAYAM, 125660730021572, INDUMATHI, 9986/-, MATTI 2, SUBBAYYA CIRCLE, 108930780001112, VINUTHA R, 12000/-, CHAIN 1, SULTHANPALAYA MAIN ROAD RT NAGAR, 105160700061360, MOHAMMED GHOUSE, 15310/-, BRACELET 1, SUNKADAKATTE, 104370700814776, N POORNIMA, 15000/-, DROPS & STUD 3, TAVAREKERE, 106740700055604, JHANSI LAKSHAMMA, 11371/-, FINGER RINGS 1, THUBRAHALLY, 107280700042437, MANJULA, 30597/-, DROPS 2,MATTI 2, UDAYANAGARA MAIN ROAD, 105880780001166, THAIAM YASHWANTH KUMAR, 13000/-, STUD 1, VENKATAPURA BANGALORE, 125510700032047, MANJUNATHA S N, 16200/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 2456, SIDDAGANGAPPA S, 100805/-, BANGLE 2, VIDHYARANYAPURA, 124930700025280, SHIVAKUMARI M, 5000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, VIJAYANAGARA PIPE LINE, 122050700050134, MOHAMMED KHADEER AHMED, 12000/-, FINGER RINGS 1, 1205, MANGALALAKSHMI, 9000/-, LOCKET 2, YESHWANTHPUR, 100690700749286, TAHOOR FATIMA, 10000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, BANGALORE RURAL, BAGALLUR,BANGALORE, 129800700023151, SATHISH G, 12500/-, MATTI 2, 3226, ASIF PASHA, 22000/-, MATTI 2, DOBBSPET, 111010700052398, SHIVAMMA H, 12000/-, FINGER RINGS 3, KADABAGERE GATE, 128020700038778, SWARNA GOWRI S, 25500/-, CHAIN 1, 128020700040178, SHANTHAMMA M, 8790/-, STUD 2, 128020730025679, SWAMY C N, 10966/-, DROPS & STUD 4, KANAKAPURA, 109560730057945, NAGA B, 15000/-, FINGER RINGS 1,STUD 2, CHAMRAJNAGAR, CHAMARAJANAGAR SAMPIGE ROAD, 101920700809288, VINAY KUMAR U M, 15997/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 9490, SHRIDHAR M, 20500/-, DROPS & STUD 2, HANNUR, 117630700045108, MADESHA, 5900/-, DROPS & STUD 2, S M ROAD CHAMRAJANAGAR, 109260700060994, GIRISH, 50000/-, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 4, CHIKKABALLAPUR, COCOON MARKET SHIDLAGHATTA, 133820700029329, MANJUNATHA M, 14000/-, MATTI 2, KOLAR, K T STREET KOLAR, 131310700021586, SHAIK AFSHAN, 13292/-, FINGER RINGS 2, TALUK OFFICE ROAD MULBAGAL, 126740700036240, NARAYANASWAMY, 19000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, MANDYA, 100 FEET ROAD MANDYA, 111350730019283, VIJAY S S, 35500/-, LOCKET 1, SUBASH NAGAR MANDYA, 129270730014337, AMBUJI, 22603/-, FINGER RINGS 1, MYSORE, SIDDARTH LAYOUT MYSORE, 109320700033171, NAGENDRA, 20000/-, STUD 2, T.NARASEEPURA, 109160730016268, MUTHURAJU, 15400/-, MATTI 2, THONCHIKOPPAL, 119260750000163, ARKESHA SHETTY, 55000/-, CHAIN 1,FINGER RINGS 1, RAMANAGAR, KUVEMPU NAGAR CHENNAPATNA, 109420700042440, SHARATH CHANDRA K, 25000/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 2606, UMESH N, 23874/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 2607, UMESH N, 23929/-, FINGER RINGS 2, 2747, SUNIL K, 26000/-, FINGER RINGS 2, TUMKUR, GBN ROAD MADHUGIRI, 102440700772800, NAGABHUSHAN, 10098/-, STUD 2, 6407, RANGANTHA P, 15985/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 6719, RANGANATHA S O, 57997/-, CHAIN 1,DROPS & STUD 2, GUBBI B H ROAD, 102400700787178, LAKSHMI N, 19000/-, STUD 2, KORETEGERE, 120210700031743, KEMPARAJU G Y, 6500/-, FINGER RINGS 1, MAIN ROAD KUNIGAL, 132360700023444, FIROZ KHAN, 42485/-, DROPS & STUD 2, PAVAGADA, 115790700054053, BOMMAIAH, 26993/-, DROPS 2,MATTI 2, 4299, NAGESHA, 12987/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 4419, MADH U, 10000/-, DROPS & STUD 2, 4477, SHABARI GIRISHA, 100100/-, DROPS & STUD 4,FINGER RINGS 1,NECKLACE 1, SIRA GATE TUMKUR, 130080700037136, BASAVARAJU N, 32000/-, DROPS & STUD 8,FINGER RINGS 2, TUMKUR, 101060700804740, HEMANTH KUMAR T V, 34900/-, DROPS & STUD 2, VIDHYANAGAR TUMKUR, 110960700039300, MOHAN C R, 45000/-, STUD 4, 110960730032314, DINESH J, 373330/-, CHAIN 2,MATTI 2,

Persons wishing to participate in the above auction shall comply with the following:- Interested Bidders should submit Rs. 10,000/- as EMD (refundable to unsuccessful bidders)by way of Cash on the same day of auction. Bidders should carry valid ID card/PAN card. For more details please contact 8698241244.

Authorised Officer
For Manappuram Finance Ltd

ICJ orders Israel to 'ensure urgent humanitarian assistance' in Gaza

Says famine has set in in Palestine; S Africa hails the top court's new ruling, calls it significant

THE HAGUE

THE world's top court on Thursday ordered Israel to "ensure urgent humanitarian assistance" in Gaza without delay, saying "famine has set in".

The International Court of Justice's latest order comes as heavy street battles continued to rage in besieged Gaza — and a major medical charity said it "hasn't seen any change" since a United Nations Security Council resolution this week demanding an immediate ceasefire.

"Israel shall... take all necessary and effective measures to ensure, without delay... the unhindered provision... of urgently needed basic services and humanitarian assistance" in Gaza, the ICJ said. "Palestinians in Gaza are no longer facing only a risk of famine, but... famine is setting in," the Hague-based court said.

At the ICJ, South Africa has charged that Israel is perpetrating a genocide in Gaza, an accusation strongly denied by Israel. Pretoria dragged Israel before the court, saying it was in breach of its obligations under the 1948 UN Genocide Convention, and urging the court to order a ceasefire.

Pretoria hailed the latest ICJ decision, calling it "significant". "The fact that Palestinian deaths are not solely caused by bombardment and ground attacks, but also by disease and starvation, indicates a need to protect the group's right to exist," it said in a statement. Meanwhile, street battles raged on Thursday near a hospital in Gaza, with the humanitarian crisis and surging death toll causing tensions between Israel and top ally the United States.

Tensions flared after Washington on Monday allowed the UN Security Council to pass its first-ever resolution calling for an "immediate ceasefire" and hostage release in Gaza by abstaining from the vote.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu charged that the step by the United States, which had vetoed previous similar demands, served to embolden Israel's enemy Hamas.

The MSF medical charity said on Thursday there was no change on the ground since the Security Council resolution. *AFP*

A street vendor sells clothing and accessories from a stall outside a destroyed building in Gaza city amid the ongoing conflict between Israel and Palestinian militant group Hamas | AFP

Israel govt shaken by ultra-Orthodox conscription row

JERUSALEM: A legal row over controversial exemptions from compulsory military service for Israel's ultra-Orthodox Jews had the country's right-wing coalition government scurrying to find a compromise on Thursday. Attorney General Gali Baharav-Miara sent shock waves through the government, which is reliant on ultra-Orthodox parties, when he declared there was no legal framework to the exemptions. This means that ultra-Orthodox will be liable to be called up from April 1. PM Netanyahu has been unable to get a deal on the issue.

WAR WATCH

ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 172

GAZA TOLL SO FAR

32,552

■ In an interview with BBC, the UN's senior human rights official, Volker Türk, said that there was a "plausible" case that Israel was using starvation as a weapon of war in Gaza and that if intent was proven, that would amount to a war crime

■ White House spokeswoman Karine Jean-Pierre said Israel had agreed "to reschedule the meeting dedicated to Rafah". US officials say they plan to present Israel with an alternative for Rafah, focused on striking Hamas targets while limiting the civilian toll

POLAND RAIDS RUSSIAN SPY NETWORK TARGETING EU

Ukraine PM Denys Shmyhal (L) & Polish PM Donald Tusk

WARSAW: Polish security services said they had raided a Russian spy network along with Czech intelligence, which a day earlier had busted a major Russian propaga-nda network. The services said their operations were linked to charges filed against a Polish citizen suspected of spying for Russia.

HAS PROOF MOSCOW ATTACKERS WERE LINKED TO KYIV: KREMLIN

MOSCOW: Russia said on Thursday it had evidence that the perpetrators of last week's massacre at a concert hall outside Moscow were linked to "Ukrainian nationalists". President Vladimir Putin and his security services continue to allege Ukraine and the West were involved somehow in Friday's attack, despite an Islamic State affiliate having claimed responsibility. Putin said Saturday that 11 people had been detained after gunmen stormed the Crocus City Hall, setting the building alight and killing at least 143 people.

PUTIN SAYS HE WON'T START A WAR WITH NATO

KYIV

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin scoffed at the possibility of his country launching an attack on a NATO member, calling it 'sheer nonsense,' but warned that any Western air base hosting US-made F-16 fighter jets that are slated for deployment in Ukraine would be a 'legitimate target' for the Kremlin's forces.

"Their statements about our alleged intention to attack Europe after Ukraine is sheer nonsense,' Putin said late Wednesday, referring to warnings in the US and Western Europe that Russia could turn its sights on other countries unless it is stopped.

He noted that the US defence budget is more than 10 times higher than Russia's. 'In view of that, are we going to wage a war against NATO? It's ravings,' he told military pilots during a visit to an air base. Ukraine is awaiting the delivery of F-16s, which will increase military pressure on Russia, from its Western partners. Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said last year that 42 F-16s had been promised. Ukrainian pilots have been training in the West for months on how to fly the warplanes.

The F-16s require a high standard of runways and reinforced hangars to protect them from bombing attacks when they are on the ground. It is not clear how many Ukrainian air bases can meet those requirements, and Russia would be certain to quickly target a few that could accommodate them once the jets arrive.

Putin warned Ukraine's Western allies against providing air bases in their countries from where the F-16s could launch sorties against the Kremlin's forces. Those bases would become a 'legitimate target," he said.

'F-16s are capable of carrying nuclear weapons, and we will also need to take that into account while organizing our combat operations,' Putin added.

Military analysts have said the arrival of F-16s won't be a game-changer in view of Russia's massive air force and sophisticated air defence systems, though Ukrainian officials have welcomed them as an opportunity to hit back at Russia's air dominance.

Putin insisted the F-16s 'won't change the situation on the battlefield.'

'We will destroy their warplanes just as we destroy their tanks, armored vehicles and other equipment, including multiple rocket launchers,' he said.

F-16s can be used to bolster Ukraine's capability to target Russian facilities with long-range missile strikes. Ukraine's counteroffensive last year came up short in part because it took place without air cover, placing its troops at the mercy of Russian aviation and artillery.

Russia has maintained air dominance in the war with Ukraine, though the provision of sophisticated Western air defense systems has forced Russian warplanes to avoid Ukrainian skies and launch attacks while remaining over Russian-controlled territory.

The Kremlin currently has a battlefield edge in weapons and troops, yielding recent incremental gains at points on the around 1,000-kilometer front line, as Kyiv awaits more promised Western military support and mulls a broader mobilisation. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the Public in general that my client Ms. SARANYA SEKAR, Aged about 36 years, R/O. Flat No.B1D, Kanya Park view Apartments, M31 to 34 Dr. P.V.Rajamannar Salai, Sivan Park North, K.K.Nagar, Kalaignar Karunanidhi Nagar, Chennai, Tamil Nadu- 600 078. intends to enter into a Sale Agreement, with Sri. C. Valliappa and others Represented by M/s. SONA HEIGHTS, a Partnership Firm, having its Regd.Office at 71, Miller road, Bengaluru-560 052 Rep. by its Managing Director, Sri. C. Valliappa, in respect of the Property mentioned in the Schedule hereunder. Any person/persons having any manner of right, title or interest in the said property shall file their objections, along with relevant documents within 7 days from this day, failing which my client shall treat the same as No objection.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of a Residential Flat No.A-113, with carpet area 1804 Sq.Ft, SBA 1550 Sq Ft, Type Three (3)BKH-R First floor, Aster Block, Vistaas Apartment constructed on Sy.No.375/10, measuring 02 Acre 05 guntas, Sy.No.314/1 & 314/7 measuring 12 Guntas, Sy.No.314/2, measuring 07 Acres 05 Guntas, situated at Begur Village, Begur Hobli Bengaluru South Taluk, being one compact plot having common boundaries on the **East by:** Road and land belonging to Joseph and others, **West by:** Road and Nyanappanahalli village, **North by:** Duo Heights Residential Layout, **South by:** Classic Paradise Residential Layout and land belonging to Harikatha Doddanna.

Sd/- **SRI. D. SURESH BABU RAJ**, ADVOCATE
SURESH LAW ASSOCIATES,
NO.81/3B, 1ST FLOOR, 2ND MAIN, PWD ROAD, AKASHNAGAR, A.NARAYANAPURA, DOORVANINAGAR, BANGALORE- 560 016.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 14th ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-28)
P & SC No. 100/2024

BETWEEN: 1. Mrs. Nancy Nivedha Baby. D, W/o Late Stephen K.S, aged about 26 years, **2. Senorita Twinkel. S,** D/o Late Stephen K.S, aged about 4 years, Represented by her Natural Guardian, Ms. Nancy Nivedha Baby .D- Mother W/o. Late Stephen K. S, Both Petitioner No. 1 and 2 are residing at: Flat No. T1, Govianu Ace Grand, Narasimha Layout, Yeshwanthapura, Karnataka State - 560 022 ... **Petitioners**

AND: Shadrach . A, S/o. late Aruldass, aged about 67 years, R/at: Flat G. T. Govianu Ace Grand Apartment, Digital park Road, Narasimha Layout, Yeshwanthapur, Bengaluru-560 022 ... **Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that the petitioners above named had filed the above case against the above named respondent seeking for an order of grant of Succession Certificate to succeed the estates of her deceased husband Late Stephen K. S. through her Advocate. V. Chandrakanthan, Bengaluru. The case is further posted on **16/04/2024** before the Court Hall (CCH-28), Bengaluru, for objections of any of the public. Those persons who are interested in contesting the same can file their objections on (or) before **11.00 A.M.** in the Court Hall (CCH No.28), Bengaluru, through themselves (or) through a pleader and filed their objections and contest the same failing in which the matter will be treated as exparte and will be decided in accordance with law.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, 27-03-2024

By Order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court, Bengaluru

Advocate Name and Address:
V. CHANDRAKANTHAN

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is informed that, **Sri J Krishna, S/o. Sri H Javaraiah**, R/at no. 198/1, Akkamahadevi Road, Gavipuram West Near Swimming Pool, Bangalore – 560 019, has lost the original registered sale Deed dated 13.03.1968 registered as document no. 3187/1967-68, Volume 753, pages 210-212 Book no.1, SRO- Basavanagundi, Bangalore. A Complaint is lodged in Crime branch Bangalore City Police on dated: 28.03.2024. Finders may return the same **within 15 days** to the above said Police Station or contact me in below address.

Sri Mariswamy Kattimane BA. LLB.,
Advocate and Legal Consultant,
No.690, 2nd Floor, 36th Cross,
Rajajinagar 2nd Block,Bangalore-560 010.

IN THE COURT OF THE V ADDL. PRINCIPAL JUDGE, FAMILY COURT AT BANGALORE.
M.C. No. 5150/2022

BETWEEN:Smt. Mariya Meghana W/o Abhishek.K Aged about 24 years R/at No.11, 5th main Narasamma badavane, Uttarahalli, Subramanyapura Bangalore-560061. ...**Petitioner**

AND: SRI. Abhishek.K S/o Krishna Aged about 22 years R/ No.148, 5th main, Uttarahalli, Subramanyapura Bangalore-560061. ...**Respondent.**

NOTICE TO RESPONDENT

WHEREAS, the petitioner has filed the above case for seeking a decree of dissolution of marriage with the Respondent. That you are arrayed as the Respondent in the said case.

You are hereby summoned to appear in person or through an Advocate on **16.04.2024 at about 11 a.m.,** in the court of V Additional Principal Family Court, Nyaya Degula, Siddaiah Road, Bengaluru, to answer all the material questions relating to the above case, failing which the matter will be heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 29-01-2024 at Bengaluru

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
Family Court, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioner.
M SUMEDH KUMAR ADVOCATE
NO.75/13, HULKUL COMPLEX LALBAGH MAIN ROAD,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Hereby notice to the general public is that Mr. U.Nithin Kumar being absolute owner of the properties situated at Bengaluru, has lost the following document:

The Original Sale Deed 29-04-2015, said Sale Deed got registered as Doc No. 965/2015-16, of Book No.1 also stored in CD No. BSKD307 pertaining to Notice property bearing **Site No.172 and 173** in which our client intends Sell the Site No.173, fully described in the notice Schedule, based on Certified copy of the said Document to the prospective purchaser. If any person/s having any right, claim or interest over the notice schedule property are hereby called upon to raise their objections with relevant documents fortifying their claim in the notice schedule property within 7 days from the date of this publication to the advocate office. After expiry of stipulated period of 7 days and in the event of non-receiving any objections, it will be presumed that there are no claims whatsoever from anybody.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All part and parcel of Residential property Bearing **No.173** carved out of Land bearing Sy No.1/1, totally measuring 1 Acre in which a residential layout known as **"THE SIGNATURE @ SOUTH"**, site measuring East-West **26.00 Feet,** North to South **54 Feet 3 inc.** in total **1410.50 Sq. Ft** Situated at Chikkanagamangal Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru and bounded On: **East :** By Road, **West:** By Private Property, **North:** By Private Property, **South:** By Property No. 172.

ARPITHA G.D., Advocate
Chambers at: No.A/30, Rangarao Road, Shankrapuram, Chamaraja Pete, Bengaluru -560004.
Mob No. 9143276666, 8147681788

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the public notice that my client **Canara Bank,** Basavanagudi Branch, Bangalore intend to advance Education loan to **Mr. Nithin K** on the security of the following properties as described in the schedule here under. The property owner has informed that Original Partition deed dated 02/12/1997 entered into between Mr. Narasimhaiah, Mr. N Nagaraja and Mr. N Kumar registered as doc No.3402/1987-88, in the office of sub registrar, Rajajinagar, Bangalore has been lost during transit.

SCHEDULE IN RESPECT OF SAID PARTITION DEED

All that piece and parcel of Western portion of site bearing No.6:1, old No.6, PID No.22-98-1/2, situated at 3rd Main Road, Jedahalli, Rajajinagar 5th Block, Corporation ward No.15, Bangalore, measuring on East to West 21-06 feet, North to South 60-0 feet and same is bounded by **East by:** Remaining portion of the site belongs to N Nagaraj, **West by:** CMC Road, **North by:** 3rd Main Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Chinnamma.

If any person/s were to have any manner of objection or claim in respect of the schedule property may inform the same to me with supporting documents within **10 days** from the date of this notice. If were to be no claims my client will proceed with the transactions.

V.S. SHAM SUNDAR, Advocate
No. 31, 1st Floor, 3rd Cross, Tata Silk Farm, Thyagarajnagar, Bengaluru 560 070.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby informed that my clients Mr. P.C Thirtha Prasad, S/o Channabasappa, Aged about 45 years, and Mr. T.E Jayappa, S/o Eshwarappa, Aged about 59 years, intends to enter into a Joint Development Agreement and develop the below mentioned schedule property from its present owner Sri K.S. Harish, aged about 55 years, S/o. Late K.P. Srinivas, who Is residing at No. 65/2, Shantha Sri, Rama Iyengar road, near sajjan Rao Circle, V.V.Puram, Bengaluru South-560 004, has offered to develop the property jointly by executing the Joint Development agreement/Sale Agreement/MOU, thereof. The owner represent that apart from him there is no other persons having any sort of right, title, claim over the schedule property and he has not mortgaged, encumbered the schedule property in any manner. The owner further represents that he has not entered into any sale agreement, MOU etc., with any person with regard to the schedule property. If any person, company, firm, Hindu Un-divided family, banks. financial institutions, non-banking, lenders, creditors, association of person or body of individuals having objections or claims by way of lease, tenancy, share. attachment, decree or order of any judicial authority, whatsoever may with documentary evidence lodge his/her/their/its objections claims within 10 days from the date of this notice with undersigned failing which my clients shall proceed with above mentioned transactions as if there is no claim over the same and the claims received thereafter will not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of immovable land bearing Sy. No. 198, measuring 4-15 guntas, situated at Byadarahalli Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and bounded on East by : Sy.No. 182, West by: Sy.No. 198 remaining Land, North by: Sy.No. 197 land, South by: Sy.No. 199, 192 land. The access to the property is from the Road on the South side and through the 40 feet width.

M.S. MURULY, Advocate,
#5, 3rd Flor, Samrudhi Nilaya, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Singapura Layout, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bengaluru - 560 097 Ph: 9880844356
Email: murulyms@gmail.com
Dated: 28-03-2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client, **SRI. RAMACHANDRA .S,** S/o. Sampangiramaiah .K, aged about 38 years, R/at 49/10, Param Jyothi Nilaya, behind DCB Bank, Sarjapura Main Road, Jakkasandra, Koramangala 1st Block, Bengaluru, has lost the original document **i.e., Agreement of Sale date: 27-8-2015 executed by one S.A.Imam Sab and others executed in respect of the property bearing Sy.No.99, measuring to an extent of 4 acres of land, situated at Khajisonnenahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, Bengaluru.** If any person/s or institution found the above said document hand over to the below stated address, thereafter if any claim raised shall not be entertained.

P & R ASSOCIATES
POONAM .N, Advocate
No.81, 1st Floor, Meenakshi Building, Sanjeevappa lane, Avenue road cross, Bengaluru-560 002. Mob:9980565991

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the notice of the General Public that my client viz., **LORVIN PROJECTS,** rep by Managing Partner Mr. S. Damodaram & Mr. C Mounish have lost/misplaced the original Joint Development Agreement dated.23/04/2021, registered as Document No.1238/2021-22 and General Power of Attorney dated.23/04/2021, as Document No. 00065/2021-22, both are registered in the office of the Sub registrar Banaswadi, Bangalore, in respect of Site No.08, Katha No. 98/5/08, Converted Sy No.98/5, measuring 3010 Sq.feet, Situated at Rachenahalli Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, in regarding my client has Filed a missed complaint on 27/03/2024, its Lost Article Report SI No.991841.

If any persons Found the said originals please kindly inform the undersigned.

SRI VINAYAKA ASSOCIATES
Advocates
No.999/8, Second Floor, ORR, Horamavu, Bangalore-560 043. Mob: 9591720993

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGNAL CIVIL JUJ[1DICtJN IN THE COMMERCIAL. DIVISION COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION APPLICATION NO(L) NO.33908 OF 2022

ALD Automotive Pvt. Ltd. (ALD) . ..Applicant

Vs

Mr. Manjunath H.B(Proprietor: Mis S. S. Exports) ...Respondent

To, **Manjunath H.B**
(Proprietor: is S.S. Exports) 1st Floor, No. 105 No. 11 Embassy Centre, Crescent Road, KP East, Banglore - 560001.
(The Respondent abovenamed)

Whereas the Applicant above narmed has filed the above application Hon'ble High Court Bombay for appointment of Arbitrator.

And whereas the lion'ble High Court has directed to serve the o ice of above referred Application upon the Respondent above named by publishing a notice in two widely circulated newspapers in the area, where the Respondent was known to have last resided for calling Respondent to appear in the above Application. You are hereby warned to appear in person or through your advocate at Court Room No. 31, High Court Bombay, Fort, Mumbai- 400032 **on 4th April, 10.30 AM** failing which the matter will be decide in your absence.

Sd/- Shreyas Shrivatstava
Advocate for the Applicant

DOCUMENT LOST

This is to inform the general public that my client **Vinay Ramanjulu,** S/o M Ramanjulu, residing at 2/21, BDA Apartments, 2nd Cross, HAL 3rd Stage, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore inform that while he was travelling near New Thippasandra Main Road, near Post Office, he have lost the document of BDA Allotment Letter of Site No. 842, Block-VII, Banashankari VI Stage, Bangalore, issued by BDA. Inspite of his best efforts, he could not trace the same and in this regard on 22-05-2017, my client had lodged online complaint at Police Unit, Crime Branch, Bengaluru City Police, Vide Lost Report No. 070968/2017. If anybody finds the above said document or is in possession, please handover the same to the below said address within 10 days from the date of publication.

SHYAM SUNDAR, Advocate
A-301, Brigade Majestic, 3rd Floor, Gandhinagar, Bangalore.
Mobile: 9611633606.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that we, **Velankani Infrastructure & Projects Private Limited** intend to purchase land situated at Kuduvathi Village, Chikkaballapura District and Taluk described in Schedule "A" below and hereinafter referred to as "Schedule Property" from Mrs.Gangamma B, W/o Mr.H.Vishwanath, aged about 56 years, Residing at No 2511, 26th Cross, 17th Main Road, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560070, who has represented that she is the absolute owner in possession and that the land is free from any encumbrance/s, charge/s, claim/s, demand/s or litigation/s.

The owner has represented that she has acquired land vide registered sale deed vide doc no 7365/2013-14, dated 28th March 2014 executed between Mrs.Rekha.R and herself.

Person/s claiming any right, title or interest in or upon the Schedule Property and/or having any objection to the sale transaction, may lodge their objection/s supported by documents with the undersigned within Fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice. If no objection/s is/are received within the said period, we will go ahead with the sale transaction in respect of the Schedule Property deeming that there is/are no claim/s or objection/s to the same.

SCHEDULE "A"

Immovable Property being land bearing no 734/188/2 (PID No 152800202000521777) as per Kuppahalli Gram Panchayath records, vide E-khatha No 15275582, measuring 1023.74 Square meters converted vide Authorized Reminder ALN SR(Chi) Sakala.277/2013-14 for residential purpose situated at Kuduvathi Village, Chikkaballapura District and Taluk, having following Boundaries:

East by : Land in Sy No 189
West by : Road
North by : Land in Sy No 188/1
South by : Land in Sy No 189

Velankani Infrastructure & Projects Private Limited, No 43, Electronics City, Phase I, Hosur Road, Bangalore-560100.
Contact Person - Ms.Anju Prakash, email ID: aprakash@velankanigroup.com

Place : Bangalore **Date : 29.03.2024**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

CORRIGENDUM FOR THE TENDER NOTICE NO.E-04/2024

Tender Notice No.	Item Sl. No	Tender Number/ due Date	Item	Field Name	Existing	Read As
E-04/2024	46	44240613/ 19/03/2024	K-Type Composition Brake Bloc	Tender Closing Date & Time	19/03/2024 14.30	19/04/2024 14.30
	57	04240806/ 26/03/2024	Aluminium Water Tank Assembly-455 Litres		26/03/2024 14.30	08/04/2024 14.30
	44	04240526/ 19/03/2024	PushType Flushing Value		19/03/2024 14.30	19/04/2024 14.30

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

CORRIGENDUM FOR THE TENDER NOTICE NO.E-05/2024

Tender Notice No.	Item Sl. No	Tender Number/ due Date	Item	Field Name	Existing	Read As
E-05/2024	63	04240007A/ 17/04/2024	Thermoplastic Polyester Elastomer (HYTREL) Lower Washer	Delivery Period/ Delivery Schedule	On or Before 31/12/2024 Rate of Supply: 50% quantity shall be supplied on or after 01-04-2024 but on or before 30-06-2024 & balance qty. after 01-07- 2024 but on or before 30- 09-2024.	On Or Before 31/12/2024. 60% Quantity Shall Be Supplied Within 3 Months & Balance Qty. By 31.12.2024
	19	04240661/ 26/03/2024	UIC Type Elastomer Flange Connection		26/03/2024 14.30	08/04/2024 14.30

China ships Tibetan glacier water to Maldives

MALDIVES

CHINA has sent more than a million bottles of water from melting Tibetan glaciers to the Maldives, officials said on Thursday, a gift from the world's highest mountains to a low-lying archipelago threatened by rising seas. The Indian Ocean nation of 1,192 tiny coral islands is on the frontlines of the climate crisis, with salt levels seeping into the land and corrupting potable water, leaving it dependent on desalination plants.

Scientists say glaciers in the Himalayas are melting faster than ever due to climate change.

The Maldives foreign ministry said the water was a gift from Yan Jinhai, the chairman of the Xizang Autonomous Region, or Tibet, lying more than 3,385 kilometres (2,100 miles) away on the far side of the world's highest mountain range. The consignment of mineral water packed into 90 sea containers arrived last week and had been unloaded in the capital Male, a port authority official said. "The Chairman of Xizang Autonomous Region announced his wish to donate 1,500 tonnes of drinking water... during his official visit to the country in November," the Maldives foreign ministry said in a statement.

'Water shortage'

The ministry rejected allegations on social media that the imported water was for the consumption of pro-China President Mohamed Muizzu, who came to power last year on an anti-Indian platform.

"The government of Maldives has decided to utilise the water to provide assistance to islands in case of water shortage," it said.

The United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) warned in 2007 that rises of 18 to 59 centimetres (7.2 to 23.2 inches) would make the Maldives virtually uninhabitable by the end of the century. Muizzu promises his country — 80 percent of which is less than a metre (three feet) above sea level — will beat back the waves through ambitious land reclamation and building islands higher.

The congested capital island of Male has already run out of groundwater for drinking and depends on expensive desalination plants to supply the local population. A fire at the water purification plant in Male in December 2014 disrupted supplies for almost a week. *AFP*

Lieberman, 1st Jewish US vice-president candidate, dies

WASHINGTON

JOE Lieberman, who made history as the first Jewish vice presidential candidate for a major US party and lately returned to the spotlight as a leader of a push for a third candidate in the 2024 election, died Wednesday, US media reports said. Lieberman died in New York City at the age of 82 "due to complications from a fall," his family said in a statement carried by US media.

Lieberman, a longtime senator from Connecticut, was most famous for his role at the heart of one of the most tense US elections in history, when he ran for vice president in Democrat Al Gore's 2000 bid.

Gore lost amid dramatic scenes to then Texas governor George W. Bush, with the decision coming down to a disputed vote count in Florida and a Supreme Court ruling ultimately giving Bush the electoral college majority.

Lieberman was the first Jew to be chosen on one of the country's major party tickets.

He was famous for his independent streak in sharply divided Washington politics.

He unsuccessfully sought the Democratic presidential nomination in 2004 but was then considered seriously by Republican candidate John McCain as a running mate when he mounted his own failed bid for the presidency in the 2008 race won by Barack Obama.

A national security hawk, Lieberman broke with many in his Democratic party over support for the 2003 invasion of Iraq, while also ardently supporting liberal social views — including on gun rights and abortion. In 2006, Lieberman lost the Democratic primary to get reelected to the Senate. However he still won the contest that year, keeping his seat, by running as an independent. *AFP*

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BUSINESS

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
655.04 ▲	Sensex	73,651.35	₹380 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹67,460	₹300 ▲	1 kg	₹77,500	▲	Dollar	83.36
203.25 ▲	Nifty	22,326.90	₹350 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹61,850	₹3 ▲	10 gm	₹775	▼	Euro	89.98

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30% of ELSS funds didn't perform

According to the report, only 30% of Indian ELSS funds underperformed their benchmark, the S&P BSE 200 and is the only category where the majority of funds outperformed the relevant benchmark last year. The S&P BSE 200 rose by 24.5% in 2023. Fund performance deteriorated over the 10-year period, as 67.6% of funds underperformed the benchmark

FUNDS OUTPERFORMED BY BENCHMARKS

Fund category	Comparison Index	1-Year (%)	3-Year (%)	5-Year (%)
Indian Equity Large-Cap	S&P BSE 100	51.61	87.50	85.71
Indian ELSS	S&P BSE 200	30	53.66	70.73
Indian Equity Mid-/Small-Cap	S&P BSE 400 MidSmallCap Index	73.58	60	58.14

The macroeconomic backdrop of stabilising interest rates and commodity prices created major corporate winners in 2023 that raced well ahead of overall market

S&P Indices Versus Active Funds (SPIVA) report

Most MF schemes fail to beat benchmarks in 2023

Underperformance rates were high over three- and five-year periods

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

OVER half of Indian equity large-cap funds failed to beat the benchmarks, with 52% of actively managed funds underperforming the S&P BSE 100 for the year ending December 2023, as per the S&P Indices Versus Active Funds (SPIVA) report released by S&P Dow Jones Indices (S&P DJI) on Thursday.

The S&P BSE 100 gained 23.2% in 2023, and 51.6% of active managers underperformed the benchmark over that period. Underperformance rates were significantly high over the three- and five-year periods, at 87.5% and 85.7%, respectively. Active managers produced relatively better results over the 10-year period, with the underperformance rate dropping to 62.1%. The report said only 30% of Indian ELSS funds underperformed their benchmark, the S&P BSE 200 and is the only category where the majority of funds outperformed the relevant benchmark last year. The S&P BSE 200 rose by 24.5% in 2023. Fund performance deteriorated over the 10-year period, as 67.6% of funds underperformed the benchmark.

The report further noted that the benchmark for Indian equity mid-/small-cap funds, the S&P BSE 400 MidSmallCap Index, rose 44 % in 2023, and 74% of active managers underperformed in this index over that period. This funds category also fared the worst in the long run, with 75% of them lagging the S&P BSE 400 MidSmallCap Index over the 10-year period ending December 2023.

According to the report, the S&P BSE India Government Bond Index increased by 7.9% in 2023 and less than a fifth of active managers beat the benchmark in this category in 2023, bringing the underperformance rate to 82%.

Similarly, the S&P BSE India Bond Index rose 8%, while the underperformance of Indian Composite Bond fund managers was the highest across all categories in the SPIVA India Scorecard, at 96%. An interesting aspect that came to light was how over a 10-year period just 1 of 116 Indian Composite Bond funds outperformed the index, corresponding to an underperformance rate of 99.1%, the highest underperformance rate across all categories over any time horizon.

"The macroeconomic backdrop of stabilising interest rates and commodity prices created major corporate winners in 2023 that raced well ahead of overall market," the report noted. "In the large-cap space, overweighting real estate, utilities and consumer discretionary and underweighting IT, materials and financials would have paid off in particular; there was 80% performance differential between best-performing realty and laggard financials."

Mkt ends FY24 on high note, indices surge most in 3 yrs

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market closed the last trading session of the financial year 2023-2024 (FY24) on a high note as benchmark indices – BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty50 – advanced nearly 1% each. In one of the best fiscals for the domestic market, the Nifty50 and BSE Sensex gained about 29% and 25%, respectively, in FY24.

Sensex climbed to a high of 74,190.31 during Thursday's trade but gave up some of its gains later. At close, the 30-share index was up 655.04 points, or 0.90%, at 73,651.35. The Nifty50 hit a high of 22,516.00, just 10 points away from an all-time high of 22,526. At close, the 50-share index was at 22,326.90, up 203.25 points, or 0.92%.

The two indices recorded their biggest rise in the soon-to-be-concluded FY24 since FY21 when record buying from Covid-19 lows led to a surge of up to 70% for the benchmarks. Excluding the FY21 gain, this fiscal's gain is also the biggest for Sensex and Nifty50 since FY10 when global stocks rebounded from the global financial crisis.

Despite a sharp correction in March, small- and mid-caps outperformed the benchmarks, adding 70% and 60%, respectively, in FY24.

As per market experts, the burgeoning domestic economy, expectations of rate cuts by central banks and high inflow of foreign funds continue to shadow 'premium valuation' concerns of local equities. Foreign portfolio investors (FPI) bought shares worth over ₹2 lakh crore in FY2024, as of March 27.

"Indian equities closed the day and fiscal year on an optimistic note…An upgrade in the domestic economy forecast hints at an encouraging outlook for the stock market in FY25. However, the emphasis is on large-cap due to the persisting premium valuations of mid-cap stocks, which could pose a concern on the broad market in the short to medium term," said Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Financial Services.

While the overall economic outlook remains stable, factors to influence the market in FY25 will be action taken by the Federal Reserves, and elections in India and the US. In short term, market will pay attention to Q4FY24 earning numbers. Joseph Thomas, head of research, Emkay Wealth Management, said going ahead the performance may remain closely linked to the economic performance, as there have been some concerns being raised with regards to the valuations.

INFRA SECTOR

Core sector growth slows to 6.7% in Feb

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THE growth of the eight core sector industries slowed to 6.7% in February on account of poor performance of some sectors such as fertiliser, according to official data released on Thursday.

However, on a sequential basis, the growth rate is highest in the last three months. The growth of eight core sectors -- coal, crude oil, natural gas, refinery products, fertiliser, steel, cement and electricity -- was 4.1% in January.

It was 7.4% in February 2023. Cumulatively also, the growth rate in the output of these sectors slowed to 7.7% in April-January this fiscal against 8.2% in April-February 2022-23. The output growth of fertiliser was in the negative zone. The eight core sectors contribute 40.27% to the country's Index of Industrial Production (IIP).

According to the data, the growth rate in the output of refinery products, steel, and electricity declined in February.

However, coal (11.6%), crude oil (7.9 per cent), natural gas (11.3 per cent), and cement (10.2 per cent) production registered healthy growth during the month under review.

Aditi Nayar, Chief Economist, head - Research & Outreach, Icra Ltd, said the core sector growth improved to a three-month high in February.

Three of the eight industries - coal, cement and natural gas - displayed a double-digit expansion. "Given the healthy improvement in the core sector growth, we expect the IIP to record an expansion of 6.0-6.5% in February 2024," she said.

Govt debt crosses ₹160 lakh crore by Dec 2023

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

TOTAL gross liabilities of the central government increased marginally to ₹1.6 lakh crore at December-end quarter 2023 from ₹1.57 lakh crore at end-September, 2023.

This represented a quarter-on-quarter increase of 1.8% in the third quarter (Q3) of 2023-24, as per the public debt management quarterly report. Public debt accounted for 90% of total gross liabilities during the quarter.

The yield on Indian domestic bonds experienced an initial increase during the quarter but later eased due to factors such as a drop in crude oil prices, lower-than-expected domestic CPI figures for October and November, and reports suggesting the potential inclusion of Indian Government Bonds (IGBs) in a prominent global emerging market index, said the report.

In response to demand from long-term investors, recently a new ultra-long 50-year G-sec was launched. Meanwhile, US Treasury yields exhibited volatility throughout the quarter, influenced primarily by Federal Reserves' decisions, inflation rates, and employment data fluctuations.

As of December 2023, the maturity profile of outstanding government debt reflects an elongated structure.

The percentage of debt (dated securities) maturing in less than a year decreased to 4.1% by the end of December 2023 from 4.6% at the end of September 2023, as mentioned in the report.

The percentage of debt maturing within 1-5 years stood at 21.8% by the close of December 2023, showing a decrease from 23% at the end of September 2023.

At the end of December 2023, debt maturing within the next five years represented 25.9% of the total outstanding debt, implying that an average of 5.2% of the outstanding stock needs to be repaid annually over the upcoming five years.

"Thus, the roll-over risk in dated securities portfolio remains low," said the report.

The report outlines details on public debt management and cash management operations conducted during the quarter, offering comprehensive information on different facets of debt management, as stated by the ministry.

Fiscal deficit for Apr-Feb hits 86.5% of FY24 target

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INDIA'S fiscal deficit for April to February of FY24 reached ₹15.01 lakh crore, representing nearly 86.5% of the target set for the full financial year, according to the government data. During the corresponding period in the previous year, the fiscal deficit was recorded at ₹14.53 lakh crore.

It may be recalled that during the Interim Union Budget announcement, finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman stated the government has reduced its fiscal deficit target for FY24 by 10 basis points to 5.8% of the gross domestic product, with plans to further decrease it to 5.1% in the upcoming financial year.

As of February 2024, the Government of India has received ₹22,45,922 crore, equivalent to 81.5% of the corresponding Revised Estimates for 2023-24, comprising ₹18,49,452 crore in tax revenue (net to Centre), ₹3,60,330 crore in non-tax revenue, and ₹36,140 crore in non-debt capital receipts. Non-debt capital receipts include recovery of loans amounting to ₹23,480 crore and miscellaneous capital receipts totalling ₹12,660 crore.

"An amount of ₹10,33,433 crore has been transferred to state governments as devolution of share of taxes by the Centre up to this period, a rise of ₹2,25,345 crore as against the previous year," said the government. Total expenditure incurred by the Centre stands at ₹37,47,287 crore, constituting 83.4% of the corresponding revised estimates for 2023-24. Within this, ₹29,41,674 crore is allocated to revenue account, while ₹8,05,613 crore is for capital account. Notably, ₹8,80,788 crore is dedicated to interest payments, and ₹3,60,997 crore is earmarked for subsidies.

NCLT refuses to halt Byju's EGM to increase authorised share capital

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

IN a big relief for embattled edtech firm Byju's, the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), Bengaluru, on Thursday refused to halt the firm's extraordinary general meeting (EGM) scheduled to take place on March 29 (today). The EGM is called for approval to increase the company's authorised share capital following its $200 million rights issue.

Its investors including Prosus and Peak XV Partners had approached the NCLT seeking a stay on the EGM. They had filed an oppression and mismanagement suit against Byju Raveendran and the management. These investors sought to declare present management as unfit to run the company.

The NCLT has said that investors can challenge any decision or resolution taken at the meeting on Friday. It has listed the case for hearing on April 4. Separately, the Karnataka High Court on Thursday said that it will hear the case after two months. According to the investor sources, "This is the Byju team's second request for a delay. The hearing took place today at their request for a delay, and now they have asked for another."

It is also said the lawyers of the prominent investors agreed with Think & Learn counsel to postpone Thursday's hearing on the Karnataka HC stay.

Sources from the edtech firm said its counsel said the litigating investors were two months ago provided access to the electronic data room which had all the required information. The edtech company's counsels also said the required information and the EGM notice has been duly sent to every shareholder, including even those who have been against the rights issue from the outset.

Sources also said all investors will be participating in the EGM, and this will be a crucial meeting as the edtech firm needs at least 50% vote to increase the share capital.

Byju's shareholders, who control nearly 60% of the firm's parent Think & Learn(T&L), last month voted to remove founder Byju Raveendran and reconstitute the board that consists of Raveendran, his wife Divya Gokulnath and brother Riju Raveendran at the EGM.

Immediately after this, Raveendran had written a letter to employees saying he continues to be the CEO and that the EGM was invalid.

Luminous forays into solar sector, inaugurates panel factory

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

Luminous Power Technologies, an energy storage solutions company, inaugurated its solar panel factory in Uttarakhand on Thursday with a production capacity of 250 MW, expandable up to 1 GW.

The company, known for manufacturing inverters and batteries, will build an end-to-end solar energy management ecosystem. The plant, spread over 10 acres in Rudrapur will be fully automated and equipped with the latest solar module manufacturing technologies, it said.

"The Solar Panel Factory in Rudrapur is a step forward for Luminous towards playing a bigger role in India's road to Net-Zero... Solar will be a significant part of our business, and we see it as a major growth enabler as we aim to double our growth in the next three years.

We believe solar is the future, and as demand for clean energy sources continues to rise, we are committed to being a leading company in this energy transformation journey," said Preeti Bajaj, MD and CEO of Luminous Power Technologies. As per the company, the plant can manufacture polycrystalline, monocrystalline, n-type, and Topcon panels, both monofacial and bifacial, with options to adapt from 5BB to 16BB. With these capabilities, it claims to become an expert in managing all forms of rooftop solar panel needs, whether residential or commercial.

CIL exceeds coal supply target for power sector

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

COAL INDIA LIMITED (CIL), the country's largest coal miner, announced on Thursday that it has achieved a significant milestone by exceeding its annual coal supply target for the power sector for the financial year 2023-2024 (FY24).

The company supplied 610.8 million tonnes (MT) of coal to thermal power plants across the country, surpassing the set target of 610 MT. This achievement comes four days ahead of the official closure of FY 2024.

CIL's coal supplies to power plants have witnessed a steady increase. Compared to the same period in the previous financial year, deliveries increased by 29.3 MT, representing a 5% growth. Currently, the company is averaging a supply of 1.76 MT per day to meet the growing demand from the power sector.

This marks the second consecutive year that CIL has surpassed its coal supply target for the power sector. In FY 2023, the company delivered 586.6 MT against a target of 565 MT.

The increased coal supply from CIL has positively impacted the stockpiles at domestic coal-based power plants. As of March 26, 2024, these plants held 47.1 MT of coal, a significant increase of 13.7 MT compared to the same period last year (33.4 MT).

This bolstered stock is expected to be crucial in meeting the surge in power demand during the upcoming summer season.

Meanwhile, the coal minister, Pralhad Joshi, in a tweet said that India's coal mining sector has achieved a milestone by breaching 1 billion coal and lignite dispatches for the first time in history.

"India moves 1 billion tonne Coal & Lignite. Thanks to the visionary #GatiShakti policy launched by PM Narendra Modi ji, India's coal mining sector has achieved a milestone by breaching 1 BT coal & lignite dispatch, for the first time in history. Undertaking massive infrastructure expansion and boosting multi-modal connectivity in the mining sector have helped in improving logistics efficiency, thus resulting in faster evacuation of coal and lignite. #Mission1BT," tweeted the minister.

Undertaking infrastructure expansion and boosting multi-modal connectivity in mining sector have helped in improving logistics efficiency, thus resulting in faster evacuation of coal and lignite

Pralhad Joshi, coal minister

Adani invests ₹6.6K cr in group co Ambuja Cements

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

BILLIONAIRE Gautam Adanai-led Adani family on Thursday announces it has infused ₹6,661 crore in the group's cement company Ambuja Cements.

This follows the infusion of ₹5,000 crore by the promoter into the company for exercising the warrants issuance approved by the board of the company in October 2022. With this, Adani family have increased their stake in the company by 3.6% to attain 66.7% holding.

According to Adani family, the funds infusion will be instrumental enhancing conclusively to accomplish the capacity of 140 million tonnes per annum by 2028 by the cement vertical.

Ajay Kapur, Whole Time Director and CEO, Ambuja Cements, said that this infusion of funds provides Ambuja capital flexibility for fast-tracked growth, capital management initiatives and best-in-class balance sheet strength.

Adani had acquired Ambuja Cements and its subsidiary ACC from Switzerland's Holcim Group for $6.4 billion in September 2022.

This acquisition had made the port-to-power conglomerate country's second largest cement producer. Ambuja, with its subsidiaries ACC Ltd, has the capacity to produce 77.4 MT of cements annually from 18 cement manufacturing plants and 18 cement grinding units across the country.

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Securitisation Notice under S. 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002.

We, **RBL Bank Limited** the secured creditor of Applicant & Co-Applicant mentioned in column no.2 below inform you all that your account has been classified as **Non-performing Account** in our accounts pursuant to your defaults in making payment/ repayment of principal and interest. An amount is now due and payable by you together with further interest thereon to **RBL Bank Ltd.**

In spite of our repeated demands you have not paid the amount(s) outstanding in your account(s) and you have not discharged your liabilities. We, therefore, issued notice under section 13(2) of Chapter III of the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 demanding payment of the above mentioned amounts together with further interest applicable at the contracted rates, costs, charges, other moneys to discharge your liabilities in full within **60 days** from the date of the notice.

Sl No	Name of Borrower, Loan Amount and Loan Account No.	Description of the property mortgaged	NPA Date & Amount O/s
1	**1) Mr. Anil Kumar V (Borrower),** Manasa 2M-415, 2nd Main Road, Kasturi Nagar, East of NGEF Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560043. **Also at:** Geeta Nivas Vazhappally, Changanacherry, Kerala-686103. **Also at:** Iseva System Pvt. Ltd., 109 Koramagala Industrial Layout, Bangalore-560095. **Loan Account No.9238309**	All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat No.301 in Third Floor "SCION PARK VIEW" situated at site Nos. 5, 6 & 7 presently amalgamated Bangalore Mahanagarpalike Katha No.5, Ward No.84 situated at 1st Cross Road, Doctor's Layout, B. Channasandra, K.R.Puram, Bangalore, measuring East to West 120 feet and North to South (76.3 to 67.6)/2 feet totally measuring 8,640 sq and **Bounded as follows: East by:** Site No.8, **West by:** Site No.4, **North by:** Storm water drain, **South by:** Road.	**NPA Date: 19.11.2023 Total amount of Rs. 16,81,879.14 Out standing due as on 14.03.2024 Demand Notice Date: 18.03.2024**
2	**1) Mr. C.S.Prasad (Borrower & Mortgagor),** No.18(40), 10th Main, 9th Cross, Near Shiva Temple, Shakambari Nagar, JP Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore-560078. **2) Mrs. Suma (Co-Borrower),** No.18(40), 10th Main, 9th Cross, Near Shiva Temple, Shakambari Nagar, JP Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore-560078. **Loan Account No.809002337295**	All that part and parcel of property bearing Site No.40, Corporation No.40/18, in Sy.No.5/2, New Municipal No.18 (Old No.40), PID No.178/Wo115/22, and eastern portion of Corporation No.17, in Sy No.58/2, New Municipal No.17, PID No.17/W/0115/22, situated at Sarakki Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Ward No.179 (Old No.57), presently comes under the limits of BBMP and **Bounded on: East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.39 and remaining Western portion of property bearing Municipal No.17, **North by:** Site No.41, **South by:** Private property and Storm Water Drainage. Measuring East to West: 40 Feet, North to South: 45 Feet, in all measuring 1800 Sq.ft. The Property belongs to Mr. C.S.Prasad.	**NPA Date: 05.03.2024 Total amount of Rs. 2,84,58,170.53 Out standing due as on 19.03.2024 Demand Notice Date: 20.03.2024**

Now the authorized officer of **RBL Bank Ltd.** do hereby publish the contents of the above demand notice as provided under the Rules for discharge your liabilities in full, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the following security created by you in our favour by exercising any or all the rights given under the said Act.

Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **RBL Bank** against the borrower and the guarantors of the said financial under law. You are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said Act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of above secured asset, without our prior written consent.

Place: Bangalore, Date: 29.03.2024 **Sd/- Authorized Officer, RBL Bank Ltd.**

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited (**"Arcil"**) acting in its capacity as Trustees mentioned in the Trust Colum hereunder under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) ("said Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 ("said Rules") issued a demand notice dated mentioned in the demand notice Colum hereunder, calling upon the borrowers mentioned in the Borrower & Co borrower name Colum, the guarantors and the mortgagors to repay the amount, details of which are mentioned in the table below:

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the said amounts, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the underlying Immovable Property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on "AS IS WHERE IS & WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" on the date mentioned below.

Sl. No	Borrower Name and Co-Borrower	Trust Name	Demand Notice	Type & Date of Possession
1	Mr. Nagendra N & Mrs. Gowramma S	Trustee of Arcil-Retail Loan Portfolio-042-D-Trust	**Rs. 34,88,799.86/-** (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Eighty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Nine and Eighty Six Paisa Only) as on 19.12.2022 along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount with effect from 20.12.2022 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. **Notice dated: 21.12.2022**	Symbolic Possession & 26.03.2024
	Description of Property : Property owned by Mrs. Gowramma : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Municipal Door No. 2270/3/A, Municipal Khata No. 4862/A, between Station Circle and Mangalapete Spunsilkmill Circle, Bangalore Mysore Road, Kuvempunagara, Ward No. 10, Channapatna, measuring East to West 19 ½ feet, North to South 100 feet vacant plot and East to West 4 ½ feet, North to South 100 plot having Tiled roof, Red oxide Floor residential house measuring 1100 Sq. ft. and RCC building measuring 363 Sq. ft. and **bounded on the; East by :** C Gopalakrishna's House, vacant plot and Garage, **West By :** Vendor's Property, **North By :** Conservancy Gally, **South By :** Bangalore-Mysore Road			
2	Mr. Syed Shahabuddin & Mr. Shanawaz Bano	Arcil-Retail Loan Portfolio-042-E- Trust	**Rs. 27,62,821.73/-** (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty One and Seventy Three Paisa Only) as on 09.02.2023 along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount with effect from 10.02.2023 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. **Notice dated: 09.02.2023**	Symbolic Possession & 26.03.2024
	Description of Property : Property owned by Mr. Syed Shahabuddin: **Description of Schedule "A" Property :** All that piece and parcel of property bearing New Municipal Door No. 58/54/1 (Old Door No. 58/54), New Municipal Khata No. 67/1, (Old Khata No. 67), Item No. 1 measuring East to West 29 feet and North to South 8 feet and Item No. 2 measuring East to West 17 feet and North to South 31 feet having residential house constructed therein situated at C.K. Road, Ward No. 21, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District and **bounded on the; East :** C.K. Cross Road and Property belongs to Mushayak Syed Shaheddin & Nasreen Nijami **West :** Property belongs to Saabjaan **North :** Property belongs to Mushayak Syed Shaheddin Shamshuddin S. **South :** Property belongs to Bank Usman **Description of Schedule "B" Property :** All that piece and parcel of property bearing New Municipal Door No. 58/54/3 (Old Door No. 58/54), New Municipal Khata No. 67/3, (Old Khata No. 67) measuring East to West 29 feet and North to South 18 feet having residential house constructed therein situated at C.K. Road, Ward No. 21, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District and **bounded on the: East :** C.K. Cross Road **West :** Property belongs to Noorjaan **North :** Property belongs Nasreen Nijami **South :** Property belongs to Noorjaan			

The borrower/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned that Arcil is in lawful possession of the Immovable Property mentioned above and under Section 13(13) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, the borrower/ guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) or any person whatsoever, shall after receipt of this notice not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise deal with/ alienate the Immovable Property, without prior written consent of Arcil and any dealings with the Immovable Property will be subject to the charge of Arcil for the amount as mentioned above demand notice colum along with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc.

The borrowers'/guarantors'/mortgagors' attention is invited to the provisions of the Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the said Act, in respect of time available to redeem the above mentioned Immovable Property.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 29.03.2024 **Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited**

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Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.,
CIN No.: U65999MH2002PLC134884. Website: www.arcil.co.in;
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(Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties)

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable / movable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank, Seshadripuram Branch, No.179, Roopa Complex 1st Main Road, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru-560020,** will be sold **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 30.04.2024** for recovery of **Rs.33,36,925.94** Paise (Rupees Thirty Three Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Five and Paise Ninety Four Only) with further interest/charges due to **Seshadripuram Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **Borrower(s): Mrs. Rajeshwari R** W/o Sri. Ramachandrappa, No.863, 4th Cross, 4th Main, N G O S Colony, Kamalanagar, Bengaluru-560079.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **29.04.2024** by **5:00** PM by way of Demand Draft favoring The Authorized Officer, **Canara Bank Seshadripuram Branch or** through online payment to **Account No. 209272434 (IFS Code CNRB0000794)** the description of the property is as under.

Lot	Description of the immovable Property	Reserve Price	EMD Amount
1	All that part and parcel of the Northern portion of the property bearing No. 575, Municipal No. 575/1, PID No. 16-54-575/1, carved out of Sy. No. 46 of Saneguruvanahalli Village, situated at BBMP Ward No.16, Kamalanagar, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 15 Feet in all measuring 600 Sq. Ft. along with building constructed there on and bounded on: East by : Road, West by : Private Property North by : Private Property, South by : Private Property.	Rs. 27,96,000/-	Rs. 2,79,600/-

Date & Time of Auction : 30.04.2024 & 11.00 AM to 12:30 PM, Date of Sale Notice : 28.03.2024
Property Inspection Date :The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorized Officer, during office hours upto 29.04.2024 between 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM.
Place of Auction : Online. https://www.indianbankseauction.com
Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
Details of Auction services provider: M/s Canbank Computer Services Ltd. Bengaluru. (Contact No.- 9480691777 & 8553643144) e- mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in
For further details contact Canara Bank, Seshadripuram Branch e-mail id cb0794@canarabank.com , The Chief Manager Canara Bank Mob. No. 9797408004 OR the service provider M/s.CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LTD (Contact 9480691777/8553643144, e-mail: eauction@ccsl.co.in)

Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 28.03.2024 **Canara Bank**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore-560068

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Afsal Hussain Hamadani/ Salahudeen Hamadani / Aysha Salahudheen Hamadani- Hamadaniya House Vazhakkala Pbk Maina Road Ernakulam Kerala Ernakulam- 682021/ TBCOC00006076293	(As described in the Loan document/property document covering As described in the Loan document/property document covering Sy No: 56/4/2 , Re SY No : 210/2/3/2 , 210/2/6 , Block:8 , Vazhakala village , Kanayannor taluk, ernakulam dist (Admeasuring an area of 01.42 Ares North: Property in SY No: 210/1, 210/ 3 (property of babu South: Property of aboobakker and 2.5 meter road East: Property belong to Sy No: 210/19(property of ayishakutty West: Property of Aboobakker	17/02/2024/ Rs. 28,27,092.00/-	03/11/ 2023
2.	Linto Jose/ Jose- 24 1 Select Point Ramaiya Layout 3rdg Main Kacharakanahalli Karnataka Bangalore-560084- LBTHR00006632987	(As described in the Loan document/property document covering Sy No 111 1 2, Pariyaram Village, Chalkudy Taluk, Sy No 111 1 2, Thrissur 680721 (Admeasuring an area of 10.52 North: Private road South: Property of Suresh Kumar East: Property of Joshi West: Panchayath Road	08/02/2024/ Rs. 42,34,359.00/-	03/11/ 2023
3.	Muhammad Noorudheen K/ Fareeda K V- 15/1 Sipani Bliss Phase 2 Madivala Village Anekal Taluk Sy No 15/1 Karnataka Bangalore-562106- LBTHR00004842386	Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of immovable residentially converted property bearing Survey No. 151/1 Measuring 1 Acre 11 Guntas and Survey No. 152/1 Measuring 29 Guntas totally measuring 2 Acres (87,120 Square feet), situated at Madivala Village, Marsur Post, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District- 562106 ad bounded as follows; East: By Remaining Property of Sri. C Gopal Reddy & Private Property West: By Suraj Devi Sipani Property 151/3 & 152/3; North: By Upkar Layout & its connecting road and; South: By road Item No. 2: All that piece and parcel of immovable residentially converted property bearing Survey West: By Sipani Properties Pvt. Ltd. Property Survey No. 149/1 & 150/1 North: By Upkar Layout & its connecting Road and South: By road; Nos. 149/2, 150/2, 151/3 and 152/3, situated Madivala (Bandapura) Village, Marsur post, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District- 562106, Totally measuring 3 acres 13 guntas and bounded as follows; East: By Remaining Property of C Gopal Reddy & Private Property West : By Sipani Properties Pvt. Ltd. Property Survey No. 149/1 & 150/1; North: By Upkar Layout & its connecting Road and; South: By road;	26/02/2024/ Rs. 15,85,913.00/-	15/11/ 2022

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : March 28, 2024 **Authorized Officer**
Place: Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby inform to the general public that my clients Sri. Francis Xavier A.R. and Smt. Saleena. K are intending to purchase the bellow mentioned schedule property from its present owner Sri. Suren Kumar. J, and Smt. Veena. R. If anybody having any right or interest over the schedule property, the same may be brought to my notice with in a period of 30 days from the date of publication of this notice and if no such information is conveyed to me, it will be presumed that no other persons have rights or interest over the schedule property & my clients will proceed to purchase the same.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing old No.242/16, present Municipal No. 187, PID No.52-37- 187, 5th Cross, Kumararama Road, Lakshmi pura, Gavipuram Extension Ward NO.52, Hanumanthanagar, Bangalore-560 019, measuring East to West 36 feet and North to South 20 feet and bounded on:
East by : Site No.239
West by : Road
North by : Site No.241
South by : Site No.243

M.PRABHAKAR, BA, LL B
Advocate
Off: Mayur Lodge, 2nd Floor, 3rd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-18
Mob: 8050801928

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOST TITLE DOCUMENTS

My client Sri Venkatesh S/o Late. D. Muniraj and Late Mahadevamma, aged about 58 Years Residing at No.74, 6th Phase 1st Stage Mahaganapathinagara, Rajaji Nagar Bangalore-560010 being owner of the SCHEDULE PROPERTY, the schedule property was purchased by our family members one Sri. Krishnappa @ Munikrishnappa and others through Sale Deed Dated 04/11/1960, Registered in Document No. 4751/1960-61, Book No.1, Volume No. 1940 registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar Yelahanka Bangalore. That my client I have also lost the other original Sale Deed.

That my client have already lodged a Police Complaint in this regard on 28/03/2024 in Lost Report No.0993551/2024. It is requested to the finder of Original Sale Deed dated 04/11/1960 to deliver the same to the undersigned or to my client against suitable reward. Further it is also to caution the general Public for not dealing with Schedule Property on the basis of his lost Sale Deed's.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing part of Sy.No.51 and Part of 52 Totally measuring 3 Acres 19 Guntas situated at Srirampura Village, Yelanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, having boundaries East by Kaddipudi Munishamappa Property and Gramatana, West by Munidevappa property, North by Sy.No.52 property and South by Thoti Inamthi Property.

R. Nanje Gowda, Advocate
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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India (secured Creditor)** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

Name and address of the Secured Creditor : Branch : Dasarahalli, (16601), (Erstwhile Andhra Bank) DRLS Plaza, Tumkur Road, T Dasarahalli, Bengaluru 560057.

Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: (1) (a). Mr. Harish C R, S/o C S Raju Rao, No.42, Lakshmi Narasimha Nilaya, Raghavendra Layout, Qutte Basaveshwara Nagar, Chikkabanavara Village, Bangalore-560090, **(b). Mrs. Reshma M D,** W/o. Harish C R, No.42, Lakshmi Narasimha Nilaya, Raghavendra Layout, Qutte Basaveshwara Nagar, Chikkabanavara Village, Bangalore-560090.

Amount due: Rs 30,94,319/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen only) as on **29.02.2024** plus uncharged interest and future interest along with other contingents charges.

Description of immovable secured assests to be sold : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No.42, Khata No.35/2, 1st Main, Raghavendra Layout, Chikkabanavara, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-560 090, measuring as per Sale deed dated 20-06-2016, EW-30 Ft & NS-40 Ft i.e.1200 Sq.ft and actual measurement is NS-39.16 Ft & EW-30 Ft i.e. 1175 Sq Ft together with two floor residential building thereon, belonging to Mr. Harish CR and bounded on : East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Property No.43, South by : Property No.41.

Reserve Price : Rs 80,00,000 (Rupees Eighty Lakh only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs 8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh only) (10% of Reserve Price)
Date and time of E-Auction: 30.04.2024 from 12:00 PM to 05:00 P.M (with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD : On or before the commencement of e-Auction,
E-auction website: www.mstcecommerce.com

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) www.unionbankofindia.co.in**
The intending purchaser require to register through :
https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp
The online E-auction will be held through website:
https://www.mstcecommerce.com
For auction related queries e-mail to sarfaesi@unionbankofindia.com contact the Branch Manager, Union Bank of India, Dasarahalli Branch, DRLS Plaza, Tumkur Road, T Dasarahalli , Bengaluru . Ph. 8355816601 or Branch Manager Mr Prabhat Moharana on Mob. 8008775953 Email ID ubin0816604@unionbankofindia.bank.

Date: 28.03.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India.**

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ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH

 # 2/3, Raja Building, N.R Road, Bengaluru -560 002. E-mail : ubin0555991@unionbankofindia.bank
Contact No: 8369255990, 080-29570555

APPENDIX-IV-A

[See Proviso to Rule 8(6) of Security Enforcement Rules, 2002]
Notice of 30 days for sale of immovable secured assets under Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, read with the provision of Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) mentioned below that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru/** concerned branches. Secured Properties will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is"** basis, by Public E-Auction on **30.04.2024 from 11.00 A.M to 4.00 P.M** for recovery of dues as mentioned below together with future interest and legal other expenses due to the bank/Secured Creditor from respective borrowers. The Reserve Price for Property, the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Description of Property etc., are given below.

Sl. No.	Name and Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor/ Guarantor	Description of immovable secured assets	Amount Due	Reserve Price	EMD Amount
1	**1) M/S Om Sairam Enterprises, Prop. Mr. C O Sathyanarayana,** No.08, 1st Cross, B G Colony, Queens Road, Shivaji Nagar, HKP Road, Bengaluru-560051, **2) Mr. C O Sathyanarayana,** No.08, 1st Cross, B 1/8, Ground Floor, Queens Road (Sweeper Colony), Shivaji Nagar, HKP Road, Bengaluru-560051, **3) Mr. Vinod Kumar,** No.1, 2nd Cross, K G Layout, J C Road, Bengaluru-560002.	**Schedule-A :** All that piece and parcel of rear portion of residential premises bearing Corporation New No. B-1/8, Queens Road (Sweeper Colony) formerly Corporation Quarters No.8, Block No.1, Thimmaiah Road Cross, Bangalore measuring East to West : 12 Feet 6 inches, North to South: 16 Feet 9 inches, together with ground, first and second floor building standing there on and bounded on the : East by : Quarters No.9, West by : Passage, North by : Quarters No.7, South by: Passage. **Schedule-B:** All that piece and parcel of property consisting of land and residential house in Ground Floor bearing Corporation Quarters No.8, Block No.1, Thimmaiah Road, Bangalore measuring East to West: 12 Feet 6 inches, North to South: 16 Feet 9 inches admeasuring 209.37 Sq.Ft together with all rights appurtenance and 50% undivided share right in the schedule equivalent to 69.78 Sq.Ft schedule herein and bounded on : East by: Quarters No.9, West by: Passage, North by: Quarters No.7, South by: Passage.	**Rs.38,32,272/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakhs Thirty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Two Only) as on 29.02.2024**	**Rs. 18,96,000/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand only)**	**Rs.1,89,600/- (Rupees One lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Six Hundred only)**
2	**1) Mr. Srinivas N** S/o Narayanappa No.125, 2nd Main Road, Chikka Adugodi, Jayanagar, Thavarekere Main Road Near Dharmaram College, Bangalore-560029. **Also at:** Site No.15, 20th B Main Road, Venkateshwara Layout, BTM Layout, 1st stage Bangalore-560068. **2) Mrs. Sarojamma** W/o Srinivas **3) Mr. Nagaraj S** S/o Srinivas **Both are residing at:** No.125, 2nd Main Road, Chikka Adugodi, Jayanagar, Thavarekere Main Road, Near Dharmaram College, Bangalore-560029.	All that piece and parcel of immovable residential House property, Bearing No. 15, (Old No 1,2,3 & 4), (In Survey No 9, Madiwala Village Bangalore), Venkateshwara Layout, 20th B Main Road, Maruthinagar (BTM 1st stage), Madiwala, Bangalore 560068, with built up area measuring 350 Square with all amenities within the BBMP jurisdiction ward no.65, (Old Division No 58), BTM Layout, Bangalore with PID No 65-33-15, Measuring East to West 20 Feet, North To south 31 Feet in all measuring 620 Sq.ft., bounded on : East by : Private Property, West: Road, North: Site no 14, South: Site no 16.	**Rs. 91,35,106.95 (Rupees Ninety One Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand One Hundred and Six and Ninety Five Paisa Only) as on 29.02.2024**	**Rs. 82,80,000 (Rupees Eighty two lakhs eighty thousand Only)**	**Rs. 8,28,000 (Rupees Eight Lakhs twenty eight Thousand Only)**
3	**1) Mrs. Sumathi B, 2) Mr. Rakesh B Both are residing at:** House No.298, EWS, 5th A Main, Kengeri Satellite Town, Near SJR School, Bangalore – 5600060.	All that piece and parcel of House no 298, EWS in 2nd stage Kengeri Satellite Town Extension, Bangalore. Measuring East to West 30.00 Feet and North to south 18.00 Feet owned by Sumathi. B & bounded on : East by: Road, West by : Conservancy, North by : House No 297 and South by: House No.299.	**Rs. 42,34,367.74 (Rupees Forty Two Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Seven and Seventy Four Only) as on 29.02.2024**	**Rs.53,30,000 (Rupees Fifty-Three Lakhs Thirty Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 5,33,000 (Rupees Five Lakhs Thirty-Three Thousand Only)**

The above said properties will be sold by "Online". Online E-Auction will be held through web portal/website **www.mstcecommerce.com** on the date and time mentioned above with unlimited extension of 10 minutes. The intending bidders / purchasers required to register through **https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp** using their mobile number and valid email:id. They are further required to upload KYC documents and Bank Details. The intended bidder may contact the **Branch Manager of Union Bank of India. Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru Contact No. 8369255990, 080-29570555** for inspection of property and also visit the above mentioned website for ascertaining the details of auction.

Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 22.03.2024 **Union Bank of India.**

भारत सरकार - अंतरिक्ष विभाग / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA - DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
निर्माण एवं अनुरक्षण समूह, एसडीएससी-शार / CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP, SDSC-SHAR
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संक्षिप्त ई–निविदा सूचना / Brief E-TENDER NOTICE

ई–निविदा सूचना सं./ e- Tender Notice No: PT-E-23-039, PT-E-23-040, PT-E-23-041, PT-E-23-042, PT-E-23-043
तिथि/ Date. 27.03.2024

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, 1. ''एसएमपी व ईटीएफ क्षेत्र में एचटी वितरण नटवर्क का रूपांतरण।'' (अनुमानित लागतः ₹21.98 लाख); 2. "पुलीकट नगर कालोनी, सुल्लुरूपेट में अंतरिक्ष केंद्रीय विद्यालय का सुदृढ़ीकरण" (अनुमानित लागतः ₹10.96 लाख); 3. "फेज-I एवं फेज-II क्षेत्र, एसडीएससी शार में टाइप-II एवं टाइप-III क्वार्टरों हेतु विद्युत आपूर्ति का संवर्धन।" (अनुमानित लागतः ₹16.43 लाख); 4. "फेज-I क्षेत्रमें सड़क प्रकाश प्रणाली का नवीनीकरण।" (अनुमानित लागतः ₹08.90 लाख); 5. "फेज-II क्षेत्रमें सड़क प्रकाश प्रणाली का नवीनीकरण।" (अनुमानित लागतः ₹12.57 लाख के लिए ई–निविदा के माध्यम से मद दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा दस्तावेज 08.04.2024, 14:30 ते बजे तक डाउनलोड किए जा सकते हैं। विस्तृत सूचना हेतु इच्छुक निविदाकार हमारी वेबसाइट www.isro.gov.in या www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO पर जा सकते हैं।

On behalf of President of India, Item Rate tenders are invited through e-tendering for **1."Modification of the HT distribution network in SMP & ETF area" (Estimated cost: ₹21.98Lakhs); 2. "Refurbishment of internal wiring in Space Central school at PCN colony" (Estimated cost: ₹10.96 Lakhs); 3. "Augmentation of power supply Type-II & Type - III quarters in PHC-I & II area" (Estimated cost: ₹16.43 Lakhs); 4. "Renovation of street lighting system at PHC-I area"(Estimated cost: ₹08.90 Lakhs); 5. "Renovation of street lighting system at PHC-II area" (Estimated cost: ₹12.57 Lakhs).** Tender documents can be downloaded up to **08.04.2024, 14:30** hrs. Interested tenderers may visit **www.isro.gov.in** or **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO** for details.

हस्ताक्षरित- समूह प्रधान, सीएमजी / एसडीएससी शार / **Sd/- GROUP HEAD, CMG / SDSC SHAR**

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Our client were lost the Original Sale deeds bearing Document No. 1149/2018-19 dated 25.04.2018 and Doc.No.2271/2021-22 dated 11.08.2021 registered in the Office of the Sub-Registrar Bangalore in respect of the property bearing Site No.225A, formed in Sy.No. 341, 343, 344/2 and 344/3 Panchayath Khatha No.1730/225A, E Khatha No. 150200300100303021 measuring East to West : 9.14 Mtrs and North to South 10.24 Mtrs., Situated at Kaggalipura Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and Bounded on :-

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SALE NOTICE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH E-AUCTION (ONLINE AUCTION)
UNDER RULES 8(6) & (9) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

Notice is hereby given to the effect that the immovable properties described herein, taken possession under the provisions of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, will be sold by inviting tenders on the following terms & conditions. E auction arranged by the service provider **M/s. Antares Systems Ltd.** through the website **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com**

Sl. No.	1)Name of the Borrower / Guarantor(s) 2)Name of the Branch and Secured Creditor	1) Secured Debt outstanding 2) Reserve Price 3) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Amount	1) Last date of deposit of EMD 2) Last date of KYC documents 3) EMD A/c no. 4) IFSC code 5) Bid Factor	1. Date of Auction 2. Time of Auction 3. Date & Time of Inspection
1	**1) BORROWER (S) : 1.Kumar S – S/o Late Shanmuga,** No. 10,Sri Krishna Building,Avenue Road entrance, Bangalore - 560002. 2) Canara Bank **- Mysore circle Branch Ph No. 080- 22215584,**	**1) Rs.12,99,009.60** plus further interest & charges **2) Mentioned each property below.**	1) 27.04.2024 upto 5.00 pm 2) 29.04.2024 upto 5.00 pm 3) 209272434 4) CNRB0010446 5) Rs. 20,000/-	1. 30.04.2024 2. 11.00 am to 12.00 Noon 3. 25.04.2024 10.00 am to 2.00 pm
	Description of the immovable/ movable assets: 1. Residential BDA FLAT bearing no. ALR-B19-108,measuring 33.526 Sq mts super build up Area, 1 BHK, 1st Floor, 1st Phase,19 th Block,Residential Complex, Alur layout,Alur, Dasanapura hobli, Bangalore North taluk, formed by Bangalore Development Authority,Bangalore constructed over the schedule property along with common facilities passage, Staircase and lifts and bounded on:**East by –** Alur,B19/105, **West by –** Road, **North by –** staircase and, **South by –** Alur,B19/107. **A) RESERVE PRICE - Rs. 10,56,000.00 B) EMD - Rs. 1,05,600.00**			

For all details contact at Regional Office, MG Road, Bangalore. Contact Numbers - 1) 90109 49899, 2) 9886109981

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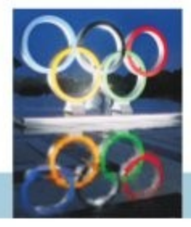
Place: Bangalore, **Authorized Officer,**
Date : 29.03.2024 **Canara Bank**

Poland to send soldiers to help Paris Oly security: Minister



Poland on Thursday said it would send troops to help France bolster security at the Paris Olympics. "Poland's armed forces will join an international coalition established by France with the goal of supporting preparations and securing the Summer Olympic Games in 2024," Defence Minister Wladyslaw Kosiniak-Kamysz said on *X*.

From missing out on chance to be MI's net bowler to KKR

Afghanistan mystery spinner Allah Ghazanfar replaces compatriot Mujeeb as Kolkata franchise buys him for his base price of ₹20 lakh

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

STARTING to play cricket during Covid lockdown against the wishes of his father to missing out on an opportunity to turn up for Mumbai Indians as a net bowler and now in the IPL for Kolkata Knight Riders as a replacement all at 16, Afghanistan's Allah Mohammad Ghazanfar's life in the past four years has been nothing short of a fairytale.

Having started to play cricket only in 2020, Allah was more than happy to be a net bowler with Mumbai Indians when their head coach Mark Boucher spotted him ahead of the Indian Premier League 2024. The five-time champions even sent a car for Allah to travel to Abu Dhabi from Dubai where he was with the U-19 national team for the Asia Cup in December last year.

As the luck would have it, he was denied the visa as the authorities concerned apparently said a net bowler cannot be given an Indian visa as a player. As the saying goes, everything happens for a reason and in this case, a better option was in the store for Allah. Days after missing the opportunity to bowl at MI stars in the nets, Allah was named replacement for compatriot Mujeeb Ur Rahman in the Kolkata Knight Riders squad on Thursday. He has been signed by the two-time champions for his base price of ₹20 lakh.

"KKR CEO called him yesterday (Wednesday). It was a moment to cherish for all of us," Atta Mohammad Ghazanfar, Allah's elder brother, told this daily from Kabul, the capital city of Afghanistan. A mystery spinner, Allah made his international debut early this month when he played an ODI for Afghanistan against Ireland in Sharjah. The 16-year-old right-arm off-break bowler has played two ODIs, three T20s and six List A matches so far.

Had it not been Atta, Allah would not have been playing cricket as their father Khayal Mohammad Ghazanfar was dead against a career in sports. "I started playing around eight years ago and played club cricket with players like Rahmanullah Gurbaz and Mujeeb, who went on to represent the country."

And it was Gurbaz, the KKR wicketkeeper-batter, who recommended Allah's name after Mujeeb was ruled out. "Earlier, we (Gurbaz and me) were in regular touch but once he started playing international cricket, he got busy. I am grateful to him that he recommended Allah's name to KKR," said Atta.

The family, comprising parents, six brothers and four sisters, might be happy with their youngest member set to play for a franchise in the biggest T20 league of the world but it

Allah Mohammad Ghazanfar and his brother Atta Mohammad Ghazanfar (L)

was not the case when Allah first held the ball in his hand. "My father always wanted his children to excel in academics. In our society, people are not very familiar with cricket. My father used to believe that cricket is a waste of time. He even termed me the biggest enemy of my brother when I initiated Allah into cricket," reminisced Atta with a smile. The resentment and dislike for the sport, however, is a thing of the past as the Ghazanfar family is busy celebrating Allah's call-up with the father being the most proud member.

Atta played as a right-hand batter before becoming manager of various clubs including the legendary Mohammad Mirza Katawazai Cricket Center. In the beginning, Allah used to be a pacer but one of his coaches, Roze Khan, asked him to bowl spin. Allah transformed into a spinner like a fish to water.

"When he bowled to international stars of Afghanistan they were impressed with his spinning ability. I told him to master the art of spin and try to include every variation in his arsenal. He is a quick learner and did it with ease. The result is here today for everyone to see." Afghanistan has produced world-class spinners like Rashid Khan and Mujeeb but Allah is a big fan of India's spin maestro Ravichandran Ashwin.

"Ashwin is his role model as he believes the Indian spinner has more variations than his counterparts across the globe. He wants to emulate him and this IPL can give him an opportunity to meet and learn from his idol."

Ghazanfars moved from Paktia to Kabul before Khayal Mohammad joined the family business of furniture in Saudi Arabia. However, never in his imagination, he had ever thought that one of his sons would go on to play cricket for the country. The father might not have given a thought to the idea but Atta was always sure that his younger brother would not only play cricket but also feature in the IPL.

"When he started, I told him that one day he would play in the IPL like other Afghan cricketers. He thought I was joking but I was serious. He always had that talent. The only thing I demanded from him was to train with full dedication. I tried to give him everything that international cricketers from our country were using including shoes and kits. I used to buy 30 balls every month so that he could practice with new balls and have the old balls as well when needed. The hard work we put in paid dividends as he is not only playing for Afghanistan but will also make his IPL debut soon."

Currently, Allah is attending a high-performance camp being held for Afghanistan players in the country but the teenager might be desperately waiting for his visa to join his newest team. And who knows the fairy tale will continue when he rolls his arm over for Kolkata in the next few days.

Young talent: Hard work paying off for Rizvi & uncle

GOMESH S @Chennai

TANKEEB Akhtar is filled with delight. One can sense jubilation in his voice, and understandably so. After all, Sameer Rizvi — his nephew and student for the past 15 years — took an important step in his life so far on Tuesday. Walking out to bat for the first time in the Indian Premier League in the Chennai Super Kings' home game against Gujarat Titans, Rizvi smashed Rashid Khan for a six in the very first delivery.

Rizvi did not stop there. Two balls later, he stepped down to Rashid and lofted him into the Madras Cricket Club stands of the MA Chidambaram Stadium. What makes it all the more extraordinary is, Rizvi — who has played all off 11 senior T20s for his state — facing the best T20 spinner in the world with little to no nerves and slog sweeping him into the stands on the very first delivery he faced. Rizvi went on to hit 14 off six balls.

"We have been waiting for this day for years and it has finally come, very very happy. And it was a good debut, to go up against someone like Rashid Khan and hit a six off the very first ball in the IPL, it could not get any better," Tankeeb told this daily. "We have worked 15 years for this. All we had in our minds was that *Bas karna hai* (we have to do this). No matter what, we have to do this and God has been kind," he added. Ask Rizvi how it felt, the youngster, very unlike his swashbuckling batting, has a calm response. For him, head coach Stephen Fleming had already said that if a wicket fell, he would walk in. "After that, it was set in my mind that it was the 19th over and if they are sending me at this point of the match..anyone who walks in will be expected to smash boundaries. So, in my head, only one thing was going on – I have to go out and hit it big — I was clear about that," said Rizvi.

Sameer Rizvi batted for the first time in the IPL against GT on Tuesday | SPORTZPICS

What has also helped Rizvi is that even though it was his first IPL innings, he had made the match debut in the opener against Royal Challengers Bengaluru. He was told in the morning of the game and was given the cap during the team meeting. Albeit nervous, the fact that he was on the field throughout the match and did not have to bat helped Rizvi soak in the experience without additional pressure. "In the second match, I mellowed down a bit and was not feeling nervous, there was no such pressure. I think I got used to the crowd after the match, so that's why I was not feeling like I was under pressure," said the CSK batter. None of this comes as a surprise to Tankeeb, for it has been his journey as much as it is Rizvi's. Leaving Amroli Urf Baragoan village to become a cricketer, Tankeeb moved to Meerut, staying with his sister and Rizvi's mother Rukhsana Khatoon in 2004. Once he realised his dream was slipping away, he became a coach and has been working with Rizvi from the age of six. The training would begin at 8am in the morning and go on till 7 in the evening, with fitness, batting, fielding all packed into the regimen. And it continued for years. The spin-hitting ability of Rizvi, which is visible to the cricketing world, is a byproduct of this hard work he had put in with Tankeeb.

"When I was a kid, my uncle (Tankeeb) was the one who made me practice batting against spin, he would bowl with tennis balls in a 30-yard circle. He would say if it goes out of that 30-yard circle it would be a six. So, slowly we kept practicing over the years," Rizvi recalled.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

RCB continue winning run?

AFTER THEIR VICTORY AGAINST PUNJAB KINGS, ROYAL CHALLENGERS BENGALURU TAKE ON KOLKATA KNIGHT RIDERS AT HOME. A LOOK...

KOHLI VS KKR SPINNERS

Virat Kohli showed that he's still a potent force in his match-winning innings against PBKS. But he will be tested by Sunil Narine, Varun Chakravarthy and Suyash Sharma on Friday. Spin, being a perceived weakness for him in this format, it will be interesting to see how Kohli tackles this challenge.

RUSSELL VS RCB BOWLERS

In what is arguably the best stadium to bat in the league, Andre Russell will come in on the back of a stellar show against Sunrisers Hyderabad. He is at his best, smacking bowlers at will and the home team will be wary of him. How they restrict Russell could well be the deciding factor in the match.

CAN GREEN COME GOOD?

When Cameron Green was traded to RCB, it raised eyebrows for two reasons. First, do they need him, and second, can he make an impact for them. The Australian hasn't come good so far, but will be itching too do well having proven himself in the other two formats. If he gets going at a venue like M Chinnaswamy Stadium, there is little anyone can do to stop him.

TODAY'S MATCH: Royal Challengers Bengaluru **vs** Kolkata Knight Riders, Bengaluru — Live on Star Sports and Jio Cinema

Virat Kohli (RCB) & Andre Russell (KKR) during a training session on Thursday | PTI

Kohli & Co face Kolkata challenge

BENGALURU: Victory in their respective previous games might have eased the initial nerves but imperfections remain, hence Royal Challengers Bengaluru and Kolkata Knight Riders will eye a quick course correction to add steam to their campaign here on Friday. RCB defeated Punjab Kings by four wickets, while KKR elbowed out Sunrisers Hyderabad by four runs to garner some early points.

Parag's Royal knock inspires team to 12-run win

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Chennai

AVESH Khan defended 17 runs in the final over as Rajasthan Royals secured a 12-run victory against Delhi Capitals at the Sawai Mansingh Stadium, Jaipur on Thursday. Riyan Parag was the star with the bat for RR, smashing an unbeaten 84 in the first innings

Chasing 186, David Warner (49 off 34) and Mitchell Marsh (23 off 12) got off to a good start as Capitals raced to 29/0 in three overs. Marsh smashed three fours off Nandre Burger and continued the onslaught against Trent Boult in the next over. However, Burger had the last laugh as he first dismissed Marsh and then sent back Ricky Bhui in the same over. Joining Warner in the middle was Rishabh Pant, who started his innings with a boundary. Warner then got down on his knees and scooped Boult for six before hitting him down the ground. The Australian went on to hit a four and a six off Burger as Capitals finished the powerplay with 59/2.

Rajasthan's Riyan Parag hit 84 off 45 balls against Delhi on Thursday | AFP

Even as the field spread, Warner kept going, picking up boundaries off Avesh. Pant, at the other end, took on the spinners R Ashwin and Yuzvendra Chahal. When it looked like DC were running away with the contest, Avesh provided the much-needed breakthrough, dismissing Warner. Chahal dismissed Pant shortly after and DC were down to 109/4 in 14 overs. Tristan Stubbs (44 n.o from 23) and Axar Patel (15 n.o from 13), however, kept DC interested. The duo launched a counterattack against Ashwin, picking up 19 runs in the 17th over. Nine more came in the 18th over and it all came down to the penultimate over from Sandeep Sharma. Stubbs welcomed him with a six over long on and then followed it up with a four through the off-side. Sandeep finished the over with five runs in the remaining four balls, leaving 17 runs to defend for Avesh, who did a brilliant job, giving away just four runs in the over. **Brief scores:** RR 185/5 in 20 ovs (Parag 84 n.o; Axar 1/21) **bt** DC 173/5 in 20 ovs (Warner 49, Stubbs 44 n.o).

Vihari responds to ACA's notice by seeking NOC

FIROZ MIRZA @Chennai

A DAY after this daily reported that the Andhra Cricket Association (ACA) issued a show-cause notice to Hanuma Vihari and the player hasn't responded to it yet, the India cricketer said he replied to the federation on March 25 and also sought a no-objection certificate (NOC).

"I put out the facts and I felt what has happened with me was unfair. Also, I hereby seek NOC from the association," was Vihari's response to the ACA and the same was shared by the 30-year-old right-hand batter with this daily. One of the ACA's Apex Council members told this daily the move was aimed at getting to the root cause of the issue and resolving it to ensure another Andhra player doesn't face a similar situation. Vihari, however, emphasised that he has nothing more to speak to the federation as he doesn't see himself playing for Andhra again.

Almost a month after his online outburst against the ACA, Vihari was served a show-cause notice by the latter after a decision in this regard was taken during an Apex Council meeting last week. It is learnt that the single-point agenda of the meeting was to seek clarification from Vihari, who has played 16 ties for the country so far, by issuing the notice.

Soon after Andhra lost the Ranji Trophy quarterfinal against Madhya Pradesh last month, Vihari accused the ACA of forcing him to resign from captaincy following the team's first match against Bengal. He alleged that he shouted at the 17th player, the son of a politician, who in turn asked the ACA to take action against him. "Sad part is the association thinks that players have to listen to whatever they say and players are there because of them (association). I've decided that I'll never play for Andhra where I lost my self-respect," he had posted on social media.

A few days after the incident, Vihari was linked with a few state teams including Hyderabad for the upcoming domestic season. Replying to a query in this regard, he said, "I've not decided anything yet."

Neeraj set to start season at Doha DL

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TRAINING has been as per plan and as things stand, he is fit and raring to go. Olympic and world champion Neeraj Chopra is expected to begin his season at Diamond League like last year. Neeraj himself announced his decision on the Doha Diamond League website.

With Olympics in July-August, this is going be a crucial year and pacing his events would be critical as well. In short, he would be looking to remain injury-free and fresh by the time javelin qualification

day on August 6 and final on August 8. He finished first at Doha last year.

World No 1 Neeraj told the DL website, "Last year my dream was to win the World Championships, but to have three Indian athletes competing in the final — that shows we're progressing as a nation." Joining him at the DL will be Kishore Jena, who finished fifth at the World Championships last year.

The 26-year-old also said that his sole aim would be to defend his Olympic crown he secured in deferred Tokyo Games three years ago. "This year, my personal goal is to defend my Olympic title, but it would also mean a lot to me to break the 90m barrier," he said. "The Doha Meeting, with good conditions and a great atmosphere, is a perfect opportunity to get my season off to the best start."

EXPRESS READ

Gill all set for Otago Rally in New Zealand

NEW DELHI: Arjuna awardee & JK Tyre's Gaurav Gill is all set to participate in Otago Rally in New Zealand. Scheduled in Dunedin from April 12-14, this is a round of Asia Pacific Rally Championship (APRC) 2024. His entry is being backed by Indian businessman Vamcy Merla, who is also a promoter of Otago Rally.

Madrid Masters: Sindhu enters quarters

MADRID: PV Sindhu entered the Madrid Spain Masters quarterfinals with a 21-14, 21-12 win over Chinese Taipei's Huang Yu-Hsun here. Tanisha Crasto and Ashwini Ponnappa notched up a 21-14, 21-8 win over Tiffany Ho and Gronya Somerville of Australia in the women's doubles.

Maharaj signed by Rajasthan Royals

NEW DELHI: Rajasthan Royals signed South African all-rounder Keshav Maharaj as a replacement player for Prasidh Krishna, who had to withdraw from the current season of the IPL due to injury. Maharaj, 34, will be taking part in his first-ever IPL season as he joins the Royals for the current season.

Gujjar, Patil shine on day one of the multi-day trophy

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DHARA Gujjar's 140 took the East Zone to 385 for eight against the North East Zone on the opening day of the senior women's inter-zonal multi-day trophy in Pune. North East side's captain Debasmita Dutta's five scalps did not stop the Deepti Sharma-led side from piling on the runs.

In the other fixture, at the D Y Patil Academy Ground in Ambi, Anuja Patil's five-wicket haul skittled the Sneh Rana-led Central Zone to 245 all out in 87.3 overs. Batting first after winning the toss, Central Zone lost Nuzhat Parween early, but the experienced opener Punam Raut found a reliable partner in Mona Meshram as the duo added 47 runs. Later, Raut (84) and Captain Rana's (42) partnership of 77 took Central Zone to close to 200. However, Patil, Radha Yadav and Sayali Satghare bundled the tail in the next 22 overs. Patil gave away 75 runs in her 25 over and took five wickets, including that of Raut and Rana. At the end of the day's play, Devika Vaidya (18) and Riya Chaudhari (8) were batting for West Zone and put their side to 26 without losing a wicket.

Brief scores: East Zone 385/8 in 100 ovs (Dhara Gujjar 140; Debasmita Dutta 5/76) vs North East Zone, Central Zone 245 all out in 87.3 ovs (Punam Raut 84; Anuja Patil 5/75) vs West Zone 26/0 in 10 ovs (Devika Vaidya 18 n.o, Riya Chaudhari 8 n.o).

Meanwhile, East Zone's captain Deepti Sharma (49) made the most of her decision to bat first at the Pune Cricket Club Ground by putting together an opening partnership of 96 runs with Uma Chetry (47). Gujjar, batting at four, first added 109 runs with Rizu Saha and later piled on 99 runs in partnership with Durga Murmu (49). When Gujjar's knock of 140 ended after 216 balls, East Zone had 349 runs on the board. At the end of the day's play, East Zone were at 385 for 8.

Chinese electronics company Xiaomi will start taking orders for the SU7, a sporty four-door sedan, following a launch event with founder Lei Jun in Beijing on Thursday evening. Analysts think it will be priced in the $40,000 range. Govt subsides have helped make China the world's largest market for electric vehicles

What's an eSIM and how does it work?

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

TELECOM operator Vodafone Idea (Vi) has announced the launch of eSIM services for its prepaid customers in New Delhi. The company says eSIM will enable greater convenience and flexibility for Vi prepaid customers with compatible smartphones or smartwatches. It supports multiple profiles on a single device, allowing users to conveniently use a second SIM card without removing their primary SIM. Most importantly, eSIMs are a step towards sustainability and contribute to the seamless adoption of new technologies. With this launch, Vi plans to offer the eSIM feature to its prepaid customers in New Delhi, with an expansion to other regions and postpaid customers likely in the future.

"At Vi, we believe in introducing services and offerings that bring convenience and value to our customers. Embracing eSIM technology not only reflects our ongoing efforts to meet the evolving needs of our customers but also leverages advanced technologies towards a sustainable future," says Praveg Gupta, cluster business head - Delhi and Rajasthan, Vodafone Idea Limited. To get Vi eSIM, existing customers can initiate the process by sending an SMS with "eSIM <registered email ID>" to 199.

COMPATIBLE phones

Apple: iPhone XR and newer models

Samsung: Samsung Galaxy series, such as Samsung Galaxy Z Flip, Samsung Galaxy Fold, Samsung Galaxy Note 20 Ultra, Samsung Galaxy Note 20, Samsung Galaxy ZFold 2, Samsung Galaxy S21, and others

Motorola: Motorola Razr, Motorola Next Gen Razr, and Motorola Edge 40

Google: Google Pixel 3 and newer models

Vivo: Vivo X90 Pro

Nokia: Nokia G60 & Nokia X30

What is eSIM?

An eSIM (embedded SIM) is a digital SIM card soldered onto a compatible device like a smartphone or smartwatch. It functions just like a traditional removable SIM card, allowing you to connect to a cellular network provider. However, there's no physical card to swap. You can activate an eSIM directly on your device by downloading a carrier profile provided by your network operator. This eliminates the need to visit a store and get a physical SIM card. eSIM adoption is growing, but it's not yet ubiquitous. While all major Indian operators like Vi (Vodafone Idea) offer eSIM services, you'll need a compatible device to use it. Many newer smartphones from Apple, Samsung, Google, and other manufacturers now support eSIM functionality.

REGULATORY CRACKDOWN WON'T BREAK BIG TECH BUT WILL SLOW GROWTH

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

BIG technology corporations are at an inflection point in their growth trajectory as regulators and government authorities around the world are tightening competition laws to rein in the unbridled monopoly and clout of tech giants. Regulatory actions against the big tech firms have gained momentum in the past two months, keeping the legal teams these firms busy.

The anti-competitive practices of Apple, Meta Platforms, Google and its parent Alphabet, TikTok, and Amazon are under scrutiny in the US, Europe, the UK, Japan, and North Korea. India, too, is working on a pre-emptive approach to deal with a large market. The recent report of the Committee for Digital Competition Law, constituted by India's Ministry of Corporate Affairs, has recommended ex-ante anti-competition rules.

Anti-trust experts say it will be difficult for a small governmental agency to go after big tech for violations as these firms have a large pool of legal and consulting teams. So, a proactive approach is the way to go. The European Union's Digital Market Act and Digital Services Act forces companies to respect user data privacy, allow interoperability, fair trade practices in digital markets such as PlayStore or App Store, among other things. India is looking at emerging global practices including that of EU and Japan. India's Digital Competition Law panel has proposed that the Competition Act should apply to a pre-identified list of 'core digital services' that are prone to concentration. This is similar to that of the EU identifying 'gate keepers' and 'core platforms', which have major control over internet users.

The success of the US Department of Justice lawsuit against Apple for abusing dominance position is yet to be seen because in that case, the onus is on the government to prove Apple is a monopoly and it is thwarting competition with that power. It could be argued that it created the whole ecosystem, built the user base and it is fair to charge a fee to the developer and have the right to block developers based on privacy and security reasons. Some of its supporters are already saying that.

But, the case of the European Commission's investigation against tech giants is different. In its newly implemented digital market and service laws, the onus is on the companies to comply or face hefty fines - up to 10% of their global turnover and even 20% for repeat offenders. They may even order the big technology firms to 'break up' in case of 'systematic infringements'. Such break-up orders may prove fatal to highly integrated tech firms, such as Apple. "The Commission may also adopt additional remedies such as obliging a gatekeeper to sell a business or parts of it, or banning the gatekeeper from acquisitions of additional services related to the systemic non-compliance," the European Commission said on Monday while launching investigation into big tech.

Microsoft is now competing with Apple to become the world's most valuable company. For long it had lost its way and many thought it would decline and diminish. But the innovation by OpenAI and their ChatGPT helped Microsoft tremendously. While poor leadership and lack of innovation are cited as the reasons for Microsoft's flat growth, some argue the regulatory crackdown was a major reason for its slowdown.

The same could be said for all major giants. They may win the legal battle but it means expending their resources on antitrust cases and changing behaviour to escape the regulator's wrath. Such paradigm shifts could slow down their growth.

TECHNOLOGY BUZZ

LinkedIn testing short videos related to workplace: Reports

LinkedIn is working on a TikTok-like short video feature in its platform, according to various reports. A demo spotted by an influencer agency showed short video in between the feeds, which could be swiped through. Users can like a video, comment or share videos with others. Here the contents featured would be related to workplace. The company has acknowledged the development. The success of TikTok has forced major tech companies from Google to Meta to SnapChat to look into short video feature. Last year, Instagram tried to make its reels longer, upto 10 minutes from 3 minutes.

Planing to travel? Try Google. It uses AI to create your itinerary

Google has updated its Search Generative Experience in a way to let users create travel plans and ideas using artificial intelligence (AI). The new feature, which is currently available in English in the United States to users enrolled in search labs, pulls ideas from a variety of websites as well as information that users have submitted to Google about locations worldwide, including reviews, images, and other details. Users requesting something like "plan me a three day trip to Philadelphia that's all about history" will receive an example itinerary with restaurants and sites along with a breakdown of available flights and hotel rooms by time of day.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that, my Client Sri.Annapa.N, residing at No.177/1, Shushruthi Nagar, Bangalore North-560091, has lost the original sale deed dated 23-09-2002 registered as No.13046/2002-03 along with the mother deed and Khatha registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar Bangalore North Taluk in respect of site No.9, Khatha No.136, Assessment No.63:3 and 67:3 Situated at Hegganahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, bounded on East by: Site No.8 West by: 25 feet Road North by: site No.10 and South by: Conservancy, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet for which my client filed a police complaint/ E-Lost Report through online bearing lost report No.0989478/2024 date of document lost 15/12/2023 date of Report 25-03-2024, In this regard if any person finds the above mentioned original documents, please return/handover the same to the under signed or to the nearest police station, further if any person/s having any type of claim, right or interest in this regard or over the aforesaid property may kindly contact and lodge the same with documentary proof to the undersigned within Seven Days of this publication failing which my client will treat the certified copies of the aforesaid documents as original.

MOHAN KUMAR. N. B.A. L.L.B.,
Advocate and Legal Consultant
No.8, 6th Cross, 1st Main, S.R.Nagar,
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THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
4th floor, Ambedkar Veedhi, BSNL Building, Telephone House, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560001.
DRT-II
Original Application No. 1958/2020
BETWEEN :-STATE BANK OF INDIA Specialized Personal Banking Branch,- Through its Constitute attorney: ...APPLICANT
AND:SMT. B.C.PUSHPALATHA ...DEFENDANT
SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993 TO THE DEFENDANT THROUGH PAPER PUBLICATION
To, Defendant SMT. B.C.PUSHPALATHA W/O. SRI. E. PUTTARAJU, #No.2, Amma Homes Apartment, 5th Main, Opp. KSIT College, Raghuvanahalli, Kanakapura Main Road, Bangalore-560062. PAN No.- CKIPP3195B
Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts due to the Banks and Financial Institutions Act of 1993, against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.56,90,093/- (Rupees Fifty Six Lakhs Ninety Thousand Ninety Three Rupees Only** together with current and future interest and other reliefs. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of the summons on or before **08/05/2024 at 10:30 AM** in the forenoon in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal on this the 27/2/2024
By the Order of the Tribunal
Signature of the Officer
Authorised to issue Summons
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II BANGALORE

LOST OF DOCUMENT

I, **A Rekha**, Residing at #80/18: 1 Ashokpuram samudhya bhavana road industrial subrub Yeshwantpur Bangalore 560022. I have lost my property documents of **Bangalore North Taluk, Dasanapur Hobali, Tammenahalli Village Assessment No 15 and 16, Khata No 108, Site No : 82 of Document Identification number 12016** while shifting the house. on this we lodge the complaint in Bangalore city Police unit of Report No. 0967706/2024. If any body found above document, Kindly contact to nearest police station or Contact to above address or Call : **9108466168.**

SALE DEED LOST

SUNANDA W/o Shanthakumar, Shantinagar Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Tq, Bangalore Rural District, whose 1st sale deed no. **1st Book Document No. N.M.G.-1-08169,2016-17, C.D.No. N.M.G.D.376 Dated: 24-11-2016 2nd Sale Deed 1st Book Document No. N.M.G.-1- 08171, 2016-17, C.D.No. N.M.G.D.376 dated 24-11-2016 bearing these 2 sale deeds. On 20-09-2022 lost mid way while shifting house from Srinivasapur village to Chikkabidarakallu.** If anyone finds these sale deeds, they are requested to deliver them to the above address or Nelamangala Rural Police Station.
Sd/- Sunanda

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOST OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS
The General Public are hereby notified that, my Client **Smt. MUBEEN TAJ**, W/o. Late. Saleem Baig, aged about 45 years, resident of No.1106, 1st Stage, 8th Main Road, BTM Layout, Bengaluru-560 076, have lost her following original Deeds, Sale Deed, dated: 08.09.1995, registered as Document No. 1815/1995-96, Book-I, Volume No.1877, Pages 102 to 109, in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Jayanagara, Bengaluru, the said documents were mis-placed when my house cleaning the above documents are contained cover on 10.03.2024, she take search all the places but, it not found. In this regard Police Complaint has been lodged by my client, on dated: 27.03.2024, at Karnataka State Police, Complaint in e-lost Report Nos. 09924942024. If any person finds the same may be handed over to the address stated below.
PRAKASH. B. P, Advocate,
No.37, Basco Court, 2nd Floor, Gandhi Bazar, D.V.G. Road, Bengaluru-560 004. M: 9742422828.
Bengaluru, Date: 28/3/2024

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) MANJUNATHA N Residing at No. A-103, Ramanuja Enclave Apartments, Kodipalya Road, Hemmigepura, Sy. No. 80/2, Kengeri, Bangalore - 560060, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MANJUNATHA N** to **(NEW NAME) MOHITH NARASIMHAMURTHY** vide affidavit dated 28.03.2024 sworn before Notary Deepa.M Bangalore.

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TENDER NOTICE
For more details, please visit E- Tendering Portal https://etenders.kerala.gov.in.or www.kmml.com

No	E-Tender ID	Items
1.	2024_KMML_671086_1	For the supply of Class 1 Brick Acid Resistant for Acid StorageTanks
2.	2024_KMML_671122_1	For the supply of Colour Difference Meter
3.	2024_KMML_671247_1	For the supply of 1 No.of Spiral Gravity Separator with all accessories
4.	2024_KMML_671382_1	Design, Engineering, supply, installation, and commissioning of acoustic barrier insulation for the PLC control room of new PF-SFD system
5.	2024_KMML_671321_1	Incoming power cable laying & allied works related to new 5 TPH PF-SFD system
6.	2024_KMML_671200_1	AMC for 2 Nos 1010KVA DG sets of TP unit of KMML

Chavara. 28.03.2024 Sd/ Managing Director for The Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd

LOSS OF DOCUMENTS

I, M R Shiv Kumar Swamy, Residing at 3rd Floor, Karna sree Point, Opp Kalamandir, 25, 1st Main Road, Aswath Nagar, Marathahalli, Bengaluru - 560037, I have lost document at office. Document Name: Sale deed, Document No: 1984/97-98, Sy No.16/1 and 16/B. Police Compliant No : 0991790/ 2024, Dated - 27.03.2024. If anybody found above said documents please contact nearby police station or Call : 9036999996

IN THE COURT OF VI Addl. DISTRICT AND SESSIONS JUDGE, BANGALORE RURAL, BANGALORE
MA. No. 115/2023
IN
OS. No. 2362/2022
Between : Smt. Muniyamma (dead) D/o late Dodda Poojiga, Since deceased by LR's
Smt. Nagamma D/o late Muniyamma W/o Dharmaraju, Aged about 45 years & others ...Appellants
And: Muniyappa (dead), S/o late Dodda Poojiga Since deceased by LR's Sri. Nanjappa & others ...Respondents
SUMMONS TO RESPONDENTS
No. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 TO 18
7. Sri. Munikrishna, S/o late Chikka Junjappa Aged about 44 years, **8. Smt. Munilakshmi,** D/o late Chikka Junjappa Aged about 38 years, Defendant No.7 & 8 are R/at Kitaganuru Colony, Kitaganuru, K.R.Puram, Bangalore-560036.
9. Sri. Srinivasa Reddy, S/o Chikkamuniswamy Reddy, Aged about 60 years, R/at Marathalli Village & Post, Bangalore-560037.
10. Sri. Venkatesha .V., S/o Venkatappa Aged about 62 years, R/at Yemalur Village & Post, Bangalore-560037.
11. Smt. Manorama K. Chowta W/o Krishnand Chowta, Aged about 75 years, R/at Site No.56 & 57, House List Khatha No.397, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.
12. Sri. C.K. Mohan Das S/o I. Kumar, Aged about 70 years, R/at Site No.280 & 281, House List Khatha No.397, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.
13. Sri. C.K. Santosh Kumar S/o not known, Aged about 62 years, R/at Site No.279, House List Khatha No.387, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.
14. Sri. Kundira Mandappa Somaiah S/o late K.B. Mandappa, Aged about 75 years, R/at Site No.282, House List Khatha No.397, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.
15. Smt. D.N. Sujatha W/o C.Shivaramaiah, Aged about 70 years, R/at Site No.67, House List Khatha No.397, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.
16. Sri. K. Sreerama S/o R.Krishnappa, Aged about 49 years, R/at Site No.52, House List Khatha No.398, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore.
17. Sri. Prashanth Prasad S/o late K. Prasad, Aged about 41 years, R/at Site No. 52 Khatha No.398 & Site No. 67 Katha No.397, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore.
18. Sri. Guna .B S/o Byrappa .C Aged about 29 years, R/at Site No.281, House List Khatha No.397, Sy.No.210, Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore.
Whereas Appellants has filed above Miscellaneous petition challenging the dismissal of the interim application for relief of temporary injunction against respondents in **OS. No. 2362/2022** in respect of schedule property, hence your are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble court in person, or by a pleader duly instructed and be able to answer all material questions related to miscellaneous petition, **on 06th day of June 2024 at 11.00 A.M.** and submit your objections / defense if any. Take note that failure to appearance on the day mentioned above, the miscellaneous petition will be heard and determined in your absence.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of Agricultural land bearing Sy.No.210, measuring 2 acres 5 guntas, situated at Kithiganur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South (now East) Taluk, and bounded on: **East by :** Property of Papaiah, **West by :** Land of Chikka Muniyappa, **North by :** land of A. Krishnappa, previously owned by Ramanna, **South by :** land of Dodda Thayappa
Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 28.03.2024.
By the order of the Court, Chief Administrative Officer, District and Sessions Court, Bengaluru Rural District, Bangalore.
Advocate for Decree Holder :
Mohamed Shafiulla,
Vinod Kumar .E, Advocates
No.9, H.H.S. Complex,
Cubbonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560 002.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that myt client **Mr. Prashanth S L** and **Smt.T R Rajitha** is intending to purchase immovable property bearing Site No. 452 in Sarakki, VI Phase, Bangalore, measuring East to West 12.19 Mtrs, North to South 9.14 Mtrs., in all measuring 111.42 Sq.Mtrs as below mentioned in Schedule Property from its owner i.e SMT. ANDAL KUPPANNA who is claiming as an absolute owner of the Schedule Property.
If anybody is having any objection, claim, interest, dispute for the above intended sale transaction, he/she/they may contact the undersigned with the documentary proof substantiating his/her/their objections/claims/details of dispute/s within (7) working days from the date of this publication, failing which, we will proceed to complete the sale transaction with the above said owner considering as absolute owner as if there are no third party claims/ objections/disputes in respect of the Schedule Property and thereafter no claims/objections/ disputes will be entertained.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site No. 452 in Sarakki, VI Phase, Bangalore, measuring East to West 12.19 Mtrs, North to South 9.14 Mtrs., in all measuring 111.42 Sq.Mtrs together with all rights, appurtenances, whatsoever wheather underneath or above the surface and bounded on the:
East by: Site No. 448, **West by:** Road,
North by: Site No. 453, **South by:** Site No. 451.
Shwetha S Advocate
Address : No.1316, 2nd Floor, 7th main, 12th cross, West of Chord Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore – 560086.
Email Id: s.bhat86@gmail.com
Ph No. 9845097269.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby cautioned that towards part of sale consideration in respect of schedule mentioned apartment in favour of my client herein, M/s. VAJRAM ESTATE PVT.LTD., Bengaluru, from **MR. MITTAPALLI RAMESH BABU** S/o Pandu Ranga Rao. A suit in OS No. 551/2024 on the file of I Addl Senior Civil Judge, Bangalore Rural, has been filed for recovery of amount with cost and also for the attachment of the schedule property. Please be informed that any transaction done in respect of the below mentioned property shall not be binding on my client and would be treated as void under the law including criminal consequences.
SCHEDULE
(Description of the Property)
All that piece and parcel residential apartment bearing No. C1102 measuring 1880 square feet of carpet area, 2798 square feet of super built up area situated on the 11th floor of the C Block in the multi storeyed residential apartment complex known as 'Vajram Tiara', assessed to tax by the Singhanayakanahalli Village Panchayath under E-Khatha No 150200202000323858 with exclusive right over one car parking slot bearing No. UB-346 in the upper basement along with 844.37 sq ft. undivided share in property bearing Sy No 14/1, 14/2, 16/1B, 16/1A, 16/8, totally measuring 4 acres 16 guntas situated in Avalahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli and Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District.
Date : 29-03-2024
Place : Bengaluru
Muliya Associates
Advocates
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Mittal Tower, M. G. Road
Bengaluru - 560 001
Email: udayaprakash_muliya@yahoo.com
Mobile: 94481 28741

ADDENDUM TO CAUTION NOTICE TO PUBLIC

This is to notify to the Public that, **STATE BANK OF INDIA** issued a Caution Notice on 14.10.2023, stating that there are some unreported, unauthorised and suspected transactions of **M/s. GVG INFRASTRUCTURE PRIVATE LIMITED (EARLIER KNOWN AS: CMRS INFRASTRUCTURE PVT.LTD)** CIN : U45200KA2012PTC066553 (rep by directors) having Regd.office at No.589, 3rd Floor, "C" Block, AECS LAYOUT, BENGALURU-560037 (as Developer and GPA Holder of Owners), in respect of the land being developed as apartments in housing project called: "GRANDEUR PARK" (which was earlier named as "MALBERRY MIST" situated at bearing Sy.No.57, 58/1, 56, 55/3 and Municipal Katha No.54, Katha No.1438/581/1,57,56,55/3 situated at Ward No.149, Varthur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk-560087, with boundaries being: East by: Road & Sorahunse village boundary; West by: Remaining portion of land bearing Sy.No.55/3, 56, 57 & 58/1; North by: Land in Sy.No.55/2; and South by: Land in Sy.No.58/3 & 58/4, totally measuring 3 Acres 15 guntas, for certain identified Flat units (constructed/ being constructed) of the said Project, SBI hold all legal documents wherein the said Developer has undertaken to refund money etc, if agreement is cancelled etc, and the same are subject to security provided for Housing Loan Accounts availed by individual borrowers, details as given thereunder.
In the above identified flats, details of one customer are left out inadvertently in the publication, which are as under : **Borrower : Mr. Girish Gaikwad for Flat No.C-510.**
Public in general, or any person desires to purchase of or deal in the above mentioned identified Flat unit/s specifically secured to SBI, are hereby advised that the same will be done at his/her own discretion, by acknowledging that SBI has every right to question the same or seeking suitable legal relief for recovery in appropriate court of law or tribunal, as the case may be.
For STATE BANK OF INDIA
Chief Manager
RACPC-Shankarpuram, No.13/1, 3rd Floor, Bull Temple Road, Opp. RK Ashram, Basavangudi, Bengaluru-560004
Place: Bengaluru Date:26 - 03 - 2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that our client with the intention of purchase the Schedule `B' property, which is the portion of Schedule `A' property, has entered into an Agreement of Sale with its owner, **Mrs. VASANTHI GAVINI,** aged about 43 years, wife of late Gopala Krishna Kanuri, residing at No.F611, ParimalaSunridge, Varthur Main Road, Opposite to D Mart, Siddapura, Thurbarahalli, Bangalore- 560 066, for a lawful and valid consideration.
Any person / bank / society / firm / company / institutions / LLP / proprietary concern / authority or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within 10 (TEN) days from the date of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client/ shall proceed and complete the sale formalities on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule `B' property.
SCHEDULE `A' PROPERTY
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of residential property bearing Site bearing No. 34, Present BBMP Katha No.2623/2449/34 (earlier Village Panchayath Katha No.2449), carved out of converted land bearing survey No.7/1, situated at Kasavanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (earlier known as Bangalore South Taluk), BBMP Ward No. 150, Bangalore, measuring east to west 60 feet, north to south 90 feet, in all measuring 5400 square feet, and bounded on the: **East by :** Site No.33, **West by:** Site No.35, **North by :** Road, **South by:** Site No.51.
SCHEDULE `B' PROPERTY
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Western portion of Schedule A Property i.e. residential property bearing Site bearing No. 34, Present BBMP Katha No.2623/2449/34 (earlier Village Panchayath Katha No.2449), measuring east to west 30 feet, north to south 90 feet, in all measuring 2700 square feet, carved out of converted land bearing survey No.7/1, situated at Kasavanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (earlier known as Bangalore South Taluk), BBMP Ward No. 150, Bangalore, and bounded on the: **East by:** Remaining portion of Site No.34, **West by :** Site No.35, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.51.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that our client with the intention of purchase the Schedule `B' property, which is the portion of Schedule `A' property, has entered into an Agreement of Sale with its owner, **Mrs. VASANTHI GAVINI,** aged about 43 years, wife of late Gopala Krishna Kanuri, residing at No.F611, ParimalaSunridge, Varthur Main Road, Opposite to D Mart, Siddapura, Thurbarahalli, Bangalore- 560 066, for a lawful and valid consideration.
Any person / bank / society / firm / company / institutions / LLP / proprietary concern / authority or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within **10 (TEN) days** from the date of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client/ shall proceed and complete the sale formalities on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule `B' property.
SCHEDULE `A' PROPERTY
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SCHEDULE `B' PROPERTY
ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of Eastern portion of Schedule A Property i.e. residential property bearing Site bearing No. 34, Present BBMP Katha No.2623/2449/34 (earlier Village Panchayath Katha No.2449), carved out of converted land bearing survey No.7/1, situated at Kasavanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (earlier known as Bangalore South Taluk), BBMP Ward No. 150, Bangalore, measuring east to west 30 feet, north to south 90 feet, in all measuring 2700 square feet, and bounded on the: **East by :** Site No.33, **West by:** Remaining portion of Site No.34, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Site No.51.
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APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
E-AUCTION ON 16.04.2024
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property (excluding movables, if any, lying in the premises) under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrower/Mortgagor in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Bengaluru, the actual possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **16.04.2024** for recovery of **Rs.2,86,96,879/-** (Rupees Two Crore Eighty Six Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Nine Only) as on 25.03.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 26.03.2024 with incidental expenses + costs, charges etc., due to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India from the **Borrower: M/s Aditya Creations, Rep. by its Proprietor, Mr. Neil K Shetty, S/o. Late Shri K Keshava and Guarantor/Mortgagor: Smt. Mallika K Shetty, W/o. Late Shri K Keshava** (For A/c Nos.CC 64187697578, GECL 39373874567, FITL 39605229980).
The Reserve Price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid increment amount and time of e-auction and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable property to be sold will be as under:

Property No.	Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid increment Amount	Time of e-Auction of Property	Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1	Rs.55,00,000/-	Rs.5,50,000/-	Rs.50,000/-	16.04.2024 From 11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.	15.04.2024 up to 4.00 p.m.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
TENDER NO. SBI/SARB/5846/2023-24/1056:
SCHEDULE 'A' (ENTIRE PROPERTY) : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site Nos.174 to 183 presently New Municipal No.90/1 at 1st Main Road, Garden Vilas, Bangalore, Ward No.38 of BBMP, Moodapalya Ward, PID NO.38-1-90/1, comprised in Sy. No.66 and 76 of Nagarabhavi Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, measuring East to West on the Northern Side 119 feet, on the Southern Side 126 feet, North to South: on the Eastern Side 152 feet and on the Western Side 151 feet, in total area of 18,558.75 Sq. feet and bounded on: East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Private Property, South by: Site Nos.96 to 100.
MORTGAGED PROPERTY: SCHEDULE – 'B' PROPERTY : 1/48th undivided share, right and interest and ownership equivalent to 386.64 Sq. feet in the land in the Schedule – 'A' Property referred to above.
SCHEDULE – 'C' PROPERTY : SCHEDULE – 'C' PROPERTY : All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing Flat No.F-12 in First Floor in the Apartment Building known as **"DECCAN GARDENIA", PID No.38-1-90/1-23/F12,** situated at No.90/1, 1st Main Road, Maruthi Nagar, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru. BBMP Ward No.38, Moodalapalya, measuring about 1260 Sq. feet of Super Built Up area with Ceramic Flooring and Car Parking in Basement Floor. The said Property was originally standing in the name of Sri. K. Keshava, S/o Late Sri. Kalappa Shetty, vide Sale Deed dated 31.03.2008 and Registered as Document No.NGB-1-05853/2007-08 and CD No.NGBD16 dated 31.03.2008 at SRO, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru. Shri K Keshava died on 08.02.2014 and now the property is standing in the name of Smt. Mallika K Shetty W/o Late Shri K Keshava vide BBMP Khata Certificate dated 27.12.2014. The property is mortgaged in favour of the Bank vide Memorandum of Deposit of Title Deeds registered as Document No. 1-636/2020-21 at the Office of the Sub Registrar, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru.
STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE (2nd /SUBSEQUEST AUCTION) UNDER "SARFAESI" ACT, 2002
The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor is hereby noticed to pay the sum mentioned above within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the Bank shall sell the properties as per the provisions laid down in the SARFAESI ACT, 2002.
For further details regarding inspection of the properties the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer as mentioned above or Bank's Approved Resolution Agent **M/s Goodwill Recovery and Financial Services Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru – Cell Nos.9886728350/9740367868.**
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, J. C. Road, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., (1) www.sbi.co.in & (2) www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/ibapi/index.jsp.
Place: Bengaluru
Date: 27.03.2024
Sd/-
Authorised Officer